

BLOOMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

July 15, 2019, called to order at 9:15 pm

In attendance: Tim Bitzer (Chair), Phyllis Solnzeff (Historian), Andrew Felt (Development Officer), Richard VanArsdel (Librarian), Dominic Thompson (Director), Don Talbott (Webmaster), Jenn Strayer (Personnel Manager), Doug Davis (Equipment Manager), , Bill McGregor (Assistant Treasurer), and Joe Car (Assistant Director). The meeting took place at Bloomington Free Methodist Church, in Bloomington, Indiana.

Absent: Hannah Quinn Hughes (Treasurer), Don Westerhaus (Band Manager)

1. **Minutes.** The revised minutes from June 2019 were approved with one minor correction.

Actions items were reviewed and those that remain:

ACTION: Tim will suggest that we construct a storage "shell" with PVC pipe, covered with unostentatious material so we can store percussion items in rehearsal hall. Bob Appelman is exploring a steel-frame contraption that will suffice. Cost will be over \$1,000. Tabled because Bob was not available.

ACTION: Jenn will discuss library intern specifics with Gary Wiggins, then post vacancy on IU ILS list serve in June with the hope of filling the position by September. Jenn has posted the vacancy on the Library Science list serve with a closing date of Aug. 9. No applicants yet.

ACTION: Andrew will check out building at Monroe Co. Fairgrounds for Christmas Party. Pending.

Excess Funds Investment Plan

We need to determine how much we need to leave in our checking account. The Budget Committee will meet and discuss when the budget is ironed out for FY 2020.

Bill McGregor commented that we will have a \$2K increase in spending for next FY. Regarding the excess funds in checking, he recommended placing an additional \$5K with the Vanguard Wellington Fund. However, he recommended we place 1\$K in the fund every other month in case it tanks. Doug Davis made a motion to this effect and it was approved unanimously.

2. **Treasurer's Report.**

Accepted as submitted. Doug Davis moved that we accept the proposed FY 2020 budget as submitted and the Board approved it unanimously.

3. Old Business

- a. **4th St. Arts Fair application, fee, booth schedule.** Andrew Felt reported that we have the same spot as last year, next to the BSO. Fees are paid. Haley Smith, who is taking over the Publicity/Development Officer from Andrew, will coordinate the schedule for our booth.
- b. **Rescheduling Meadowood.** Done. Set for August 19 at 7 pm.
- c. **BOD Job Changes.** Tim went over who is responsible for what position in the future. Phyllis will continue as Historian, but Don Westerhaus and Richard VanArsdel have asked to be replaced on the Board. Jenn Strayer, new Secretary, has been tasked with heading a committee to recruit new Board members.

4. New Business

- a. **Excess funds investment.** See above.
- b. **Switchyard Park in 2020.** Tim and Don Westerhaus discussed this with the city and they may want us to open the first week of 2020 by playing a concert in the Pavilion (approx. 7,000 sq. ft of performance space). They also informed him that the summer concert series for 2020 will be in Switchyard Park.
- c. **Christmas Party venue search.** Tabled.
- d. **Storage Equipment purchases.** Tabled.
6. **Personnel Report.** Jenn contacted the All Campus Band to recruit for next year but heard nothing back.
7. **Historian.** Phyllis reported that she clips newspaper articles concerning the BCB and puts them in a notebook for posterity.
8. **Equipment Manager Report.** Andrew reported that the trailer needs new tires. Tim asked him to get estimates.
9. **Librarian Report.** Some charts are on back order.
10. **Technology/Web Master.** Nothing to report.
11. **Business Development/Publicity Report.** Andrew reported that Haley will be coordinating with WFHB in announcing 10 times for each of three events: Farmers' Market, Halloween concert and ??????

Andrew reported that we need to print 250 more programs. Tim suggested that we include a tribute to Jerry Jerome on the same page as Lloyd Orr's tribute. The Board agreed.

12. Scheduling Report. Nothing to report.

13. Secretary's Report. Nothing to report.

14. Treasurer's Report. Nothing to report.

15. Director and Assistant Director Comments: Dominic reported that he was very happy with our recent performances and the mix of music. He will try to have a speaker system available for next rehearsal. There were several comments from Board members about the loud and disruptive talking while Dominic is talking from the podium. This still needs attention.

16. Chair's Comments. Nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned at 9:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Davis, Interim Secretary