

BLOOMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 22, 2021

This in-person meeting of the Bloomington Community Band Board of Directors was called to order by Tim Bitzer at 9:00 PM at BFMC.

Members Present:

Tim Bitzer, Vice Chair/Band Manager
Gary Wiggins, Treasurer
Phyllis Solnzeff, Historian
Nancy Wells, Publicity/Development Officer
Dominic Thompson, Director
Doug Davis, Personnel Manager
Janis Stockhouse, Librarian
Don Talbott, Webmaster

Members Absent:

Freja Cole, Library Intern
Abigail Ray, Secretary
Andrew Felt, Equipment Manager

I. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND APPROVAL OF OCTOBER'S MINUTES

The Board approved unanimously the minutes from the previous meeting.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Approval was delayed pending clarification of some items.

Action Item: Good Accounting—make sure every penny is accounted for

III. OLD BUSINESS

- a. CATS Christmas Concert Recording—If it's a no go, we will skip rehearsal on 12/6/2021
- b. Board Election Committee and Nominations: We are short a developmental officer. Possible people that could fill this position: Dan Beeker, Laura Jones.
- c. BCB Vanguard Fund redemption or not? NO
- d. Equipment Inventory update: Tim is working to make a workable system. Meet with Richard VanArsdale to complete the inventory at the beginning of next year.
- e. Appoint Awards Committee: Done (I didn't write down which members comprised the committee). Tim asked for money to use for certificate frames. He did not want to do plaques this year except for the Exceptional Service Award. It was unanimously agreed that Tim could have \$150.00 to use towards awards.
- f. Community Foundation Grant Acceptance: Done
- g. BCB Christmas Party planning: BUB's Burgers. There are 3 Meal Choices and they will be served in Assembly Line fashion. Doug will take care of the door prizes and trivia game. He will have 2

\$50.00 Gift Cards for the winners. The board discussed the elements of the Christmas party and how the program would look (i.e., Welcome, Congratulate Sub Groups, Dominic does the Door Prize, Tim introduces New Board Members, Best/Worst Music Folders, Trivia Contest, Named Chairs and Awards, Gifts for Dominic and Joe, Socializing).

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- a. BCB Holiday Party Costs. Does Band pay for meals? 66 confirmed people, approximately \$990.00. The board voted unanimously- YES. For this year only.
- b. First Board Meeting of 2022? Monday, January 24, 2022 at 7:00 pm at Noodles and Company
- c. Start date for first rehearsal in 2022? Decide at Board Meeting in January
- d. Awards: There are 4 named awards and the Distinguished Service Award to be given at the holiday party. Tim appointed an awards Committee (Joe, Phyllis, and Richard Van Arsdel) to select nominees and report back to the Board at the November meeting.
- e. No Publicity/Development Officer for 2022-24? Dan Beeker, Laura Jones?

V. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. Equipment Manager Report: Tim get a tent and put it at the church
- b. Technology/Web Master Report: We need to say Bloomington, INDIANA on the website.
- c. Librarian: Music Royalty Fee—BMI is due January 30, 2022. All affiliated groups, get your information to Janice by January 15, 2022.
- d. Scheduling Report:
 - a- 4 December 21—Red Bud Retired Living Center—Bring Your Own Chairs
 - b- 6 December 21—Possible CATS recording at BFMC
 - c- 11 December 21—Bell Trace Retired Living Center
 - d- 13 December 21—Holiday Party @ Bub's
- e. Chair's comments
 - a. Director's Gifts: Collect cash from Section Leaders (2/3 to Dominic, 1/3 to Joe)
-Prepaid Gift Cards
 - b. Director interview and report will be completed in December 2021.

VI. OTHER

- a. What to do about late comers? Put a note on the door with instructions and a number they can text to be let in. Or they can knock on the percussion window. Put someone in charge to be a look out.
- b. Things to address at the January Board Meeting:
 - a. Start Date for BCB
 - b. Section Limits—For good balance
 - a. Loyalty & Seniority #1?
 - b. Seating/Solos
 - c. How do we draw those lines?
 - d. Members leaving and not being in the band for the entire year? If they paid their membership fees, do they get their place back?
 - e. Switch around parts? Get strong people on all parts?
 - c. Investments: What to do with the extra money

- a. Mutual Fund
- b. New Uniforms (\$1000)
- c. New Percussion Equipment (create a committee to deal with this and determine the needs of the percussion section: Kevin Bobo, Janice, Dominic, Andrea)
- d. Budget- What does a normal year look like?
- e. COVID Protocol
 - a. Vaccination required
 - b. Is Booster required by the time we start up?

The chair adjourned the meeting at 10:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Smith