

## BLOOMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 24, 2022

This meeting of the Bloomington Community Band Board of Directors was called to order on January 24, 2022 at 7:00 PM at Noodles and Company (Eastland Plaza).

#### **Board Members Present:**

Andrea Smith, Chairperson  
Jenny Smith, Business Officer/Vice Chair  
Abigail Ray, Secretary  
Gary Wiggins, Treasurer  
Phyllis Solnzeff, Historian  
Doug Davis, Personnel Manager  
Richard VanArsdel, Property Manager  
Janis Stockhouse, Librarian  
Don Talbott, Webmaster  
Dominic Thompson, Director  
Joe Car, Associate Director

#### **Other Members Present:**

Richard Denning, Dan Beeker

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Freja Cole, Librarian Intern  
Colin Flavin, Assistant Treasurer

#### **I. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER'S MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Janis moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Doug. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

#### **II. TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's report. The fiscal year 2022 date had been corrected. Abby moved to approve the report, seconded by Doug. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

#### **V. OFFICER REPORTS**

- A. **Personnel Manager:** Doug brought up buying lighter band shirts of a different color – see under "New Business" below. Doug also would like to send out short bios and pictures of new members to the band (new members must attend at least three rehearsals). Doug volunteered to do this for new members.
- B. **Historian:** Phyllis collected an obituary of a former band member.
- C. **Librarian:** Janis would like a projected 2022 membership list to aid in passing out music. Don will send out a poll (see directly below).
- D. **Technology/Web Master:**

Action Item: Don will send a mass survey to band members at least two weeks before the first rehearsal about 2022 band participation.

- E. **Business Development/Publicity:** Jenny has been confirming concert dates.
- F. **Public Development Officer:** Some possible candidates were named to fill this vacancy - Dan Beeker, Richard Denning, Karen Willett, Mark Angelo
- G. **Scheduling:**  
A tentative 2022 rehearsal and performance schedule was passed out. Some items to consider are below:
- The Halloween concert is expensive to play at the BCT. What charities could we partner with to collect donations for so we wouldn't have to pay for the space?
  - If the Fourth of July Parade is stationary and the whole band is not allowed to play, could a smaller group from the band play?
  - Would the BCB be interested in playing at On the Banks of the Wabash again? Spring Mill? Combined concert with Brazil? Smithville Farmer's Market? Woolery Farmer's Market? Should we poll the band about out-of-town performances?
- H. **Secretary:** Nothing to report. Abby collected a list of voting members.
- I. **Treasurer:** Gary made a motion to move the payment of the library intern back to after July 1<sup>st</sup> and in January. The motion was seconded by Doug and passed unanimously (8-0).
- J. **Director and Associate Director:** Dominic signed the contract. The projected theme for 2022 is tentatively named "Just Showing Off," and would include pieces featuring different sections.  
Joe asked if the library intern could occasionally transpose music, especially some horn parts on marches. Dan offered to transpose Eb horn parts.

### III. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Rehearsal etiquette – There is still too much talking between numbers. The Board will discuss solutions at the next meeting.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Start date for the BCB – February 28, 2022
- b. Clarinistas as an affiliate band – Jenny made the motion to name the Clarinistas as an affiliate band, seconded by Abby. The motion passes unanimously (8-0).
- c. Equipment: Music Stands, BCB uniforms, percussion – An equipment inventory will be taken on February 9. The Board discussed ordering lighter uniform shirts of a different color.  
Action item: Bob, Richard, Tim, and Doug will conduct the annual equipment inventory on Feb. 9 and update the list.  
Action Item: Doug will chair a committee to investigate prices. Richard and Janis will also serve on the committee. (note from secretary: The company previously investigated was 1818 Apparel. At the time, the cost was \$16.50/shirt.)

Action Item: Another committee will evaluate the percussion instruments and what may need to be purchased. Allison McClanahan, Andrea, Dominic, Janis, Kevin Bobo will serve on the committee.

- d. Solos and Section Leaders – Section Leaders will evaluate the playing background of members and interest in playing solos. An effort will be made for solos to be rehearsed by more than one person in case anyone is unexpectedly absent. Section leaders will also place musicians on parts based on background and interest. Section leaders do not have to play first chair. The possibility was also discussed of naming assistant section leaders.
- e. Section limit – The Board will wait for the band-wide poll before deciding on section limits. If section limits are placed, active members will receive priority in filling spots.
- f. Attendance policy – issue tabled until next Board meeting. The Board did discuss a possible member contract so the band would know about absences in advance and be able to fill these vacancies.
- g. Instrument Repair Scholarship – The Board discussed needing a procedure for determining need in granting this scholarship.
- h. Covid Procedures (booster shot) – issue tabled until next Board meeting

Action Item: Joe will research on the effectiveness of the booster and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

The chair adjourned the meeting at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Abigail Ray, Secretary