

Bloomington Community Band Board of Directors Meeting
May 22, 2023

Chair Richard VanArsdel called the meeting to order at 9:08 p.m. at Bloomington Free Methodist Church.

Members Present:

Richard VanArsdel, Chair
Richard Denning, Vice-Chair/Manager
Dan Beeker, Treasurer
Gretchen Weber, Secretary
Tim Bitzer, Personnel Officer
Jenn Strayer, Librarian
Phyllis Solnzeff, Historian
Jenny Smith, Publicity Officer
Dominic Thompson, Director
Joe Car, Assistant Director

Members Absent:

Ron Hardesty, Assistant Treasurer
Don Talbott, Web Master

Standing Agenda Items:

- I. Minutes from the April 24 meeting were approved as submitted.
- II. The treasurer's report was approved as submitted with the organization "solvent."

Old Business:

- I. Committee reports: none
- II. Equipment manager position remains open.
- III. Web page redesign: tabled
- IV. Group texting: the "Band" app was suggested by Dom. It is free and offers a calendar, picture posting, messaging, and agendas.
- V. Rotation of board members: Tim presented a plan to rotate the eleven positions on the board because the current two-year term limits result in lots of turnover. The goal is to reduce turnover by adjusting some terms to overlap. Options were discussed. Tim will return to the board with another plan.
- VI. Recruitment:
 - A. Nextdoor: Gretchen suggested recruiting new members with the Nextdoor app. So far, one clarinet player has responded with interest. If all board members post on Nextdoor, other players may be found. Everyone needs to post because each Nextdoor is confined to an immediate neighborhood.
 - B. Tim will also contact SIWE and BSO.

New Business:

- I. Trailer: Insurance for the trailer has been taken care of.
- II. Music transportation: the search for appropriate tubs for music folders will continue.
- III. Shirts: Tim has nine shirt orders to be filled by Memorial Day. in addition, he will maintain an inventory of one shirt of every size. Freethink is to set up a webpage for direct ordering.

Officers' Reports:

- I. Secretary: none
- II. Personnel: one new member joined today. Horns are at the maximum number for performances.
- III. Historian: none
- IV. Librarian: none
- V. Publicity: Jenny will have 500 programs printed (more as needed). Proofs are due this week and will be sent to advertisers who requested; however, programs are not needed for the Memorial Day concert.
- VI. Webmaster: none
- VII. Vice-chair:
 - A. BCT will be booked for the Friday before Halloween.
 - B. Greenwood can be on our schedule because, although BCB did not make the drawing, the festival director invited us when another band dropped out. A motion to participate in the Greenwood festival was made and seconded. Motion adopted.
- VIII. Director and Associate Director comments: the Band app is up and running and all band members have been invited to join.
- IX. Chair's comments: none

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gretchen Weber, Secretary