

Bloomington Community Band Board of Directors Meeting  
October 23, 2023

Chair Richard VanArsdel called the meeting to order at 9:15 p.m. at Bloomington Free Methodist Church.

Members Present:

Richard VanArsdel, Chair  
Richard Denning, Vice-Chair/Manager  
Jim Sowinski, Treasurer  
Ron Hardesty, Assistant Treasurer  
Gretchen Weber, Secretary  
Tony Mannia, Publicity/Development Officer  
Kyle Hetrick, Property/Equipment Manager  
Phyllis Solnzeff, Historian  
Tim Bitzer, Personnel Officer  
Ray Foster, Webmaster  
Doug Davis

Members Absent:

Dominic Thompson, Director  
Joe Car, Assistant Director

I. Standing Agenda Items

- A. Minutes from September 25 were reviewed. It was noted that the minutes from August 28 and September 25 have been uploaded. Members are to be notified when minutes are uploaded.
- B. The Treasurer's report was reviewed and questions addressed. Detailed entries have been uploaded.

II. Old Business

A. Committee Reports

- 1) The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of nominees for 2024 vacant positions:
  - Richard Denning for Vice Chair/Business Manager
  - Ron Hardesty for Assistant Treasurer
  - Nancy Wells for Librarian, assisted by Deb Wehman and Joanne Passet
  - Anthony Mannia for Publicity/Development Coordinator
  - Kyle Hetrick (for the remainder of 2023 and continue through 2024 for Property Manager
  - Mark Angelos for Historian
  - Ray Foster for Webmaster
- 2) Web page redesign: no report
- 3) Replacement of crash symbols: no report (followup: Dom)
- 4) Handbook revision: in process
- 5) Personnel issue in tuba section: to be addressed later
- 6) Music tubs: purchase completed

III. New Business

- A. Recognition of Gary Wiggins: A motion was made, seconded, and approved to name the Distinguished Service Award for him.

B. Plan to receive the annual check from the Monroe County Foundation: The Chair and Treasurer should attend. Followup by Richard VanArsdel.

C. Halloween concert program inserts and publicity: Tony Mannia to handle printing, prepare inserts and window posters for BCT, email audiences, set up and staff a table at BCT, and route any donations to BCT (per BCT policy).

D. Vanguard account: Yearly assessment is called for in October to determine the need for withdrawal. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to not make a withdrawal.

E. Awards Committee appointment: Last year's recipients of awards are to constitute the committee:

- Abigail Ray
- Tom Dillon
- Richard Hiatt
- Karen Willett
- Richard VanArsdel
- Richard Denning

in recommending awards:

- Paul O. Sawyer Brass Chair
- Charles M. Davis Memorial Chair
- Longevity in Membership
- Ralph Leach Concertmaster Chair
- Distinguished Service
- Rose Mary Lang Woodwind Chair.

F. Procedures for changing music in folders were discussed and followup with the Dom initiated by Tim.

G. Videos for Halloween concert backdrop at BCT. Richard D. to followup.

#### IV. Officers' Reports (none other than from Richard D.)

A. Richard D. solicited input re: the annual band Christmas party. Venues discussed included BFMC (no alcohol), Lutheran Church (alcohol okay), Comprehensive Financial (Tim to followup), American Legion (Phyllis to followup), Ivy Tech (Kyle to followup), VFW.

B. Doug raised new or repainted signs, van emblem.

C. Tony discussed percussion needs and will followup.

Adjournment at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gretchen Weber, Secretary