

Allouez Village Band
Minutes for March 28, 2011

A meeting of the Allouez village Band BOD was held on March 28, 2011 at Washington Middle School

Present: Gene Burmeister, Paul Oleksy, Brent Hussin, Mike Ajango, Mary Eisenreich, Chris Rossmiller, Robin Karchinski, Kimberly Smithson

Others present: Janet Ajango, Nancy Bartels and Wendy Smetana

Meeting called to order at 9:10

A motion was made by Paul Oleksy to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Chris Rossmiller Seconded and the motion was passed.

Financial Report – Gene Burmeister reported a balance of \$18,503.15 in our savings account, \$1,627.86 in checking and a pending deposit of \$50.

Old Business

- a. The idea of a back up treasurer as well as person to sign checks if the treasurer is not available was discussed. Gene suggested Brent as a permanent back up so that he can continue to sign checks after leaving a board position. Brent is also familiar with the accounting software that Gene uses for AVB record keeping. Paul made a motion to appoint Brant as the back up treasurer. Second made by Mary and the motion was approved.
- b. Brent reported that the chairperson of the Sunshine committee had been contacted regarding the new guidelines that any band member in the hospital receive a card and flowers sent to a funeral of a band member, member's spouse or child.
- c. Brent presented information on mission statements and recommended the following:
The mission of the Allouez Village Band, Ltd. is to :
 - **Support the values of neighborhood pride, community spirit and patriotism through public performances**
 - **To promote band music in the community and to provide an opportunity for musical expression and growth among the membership**

A motion was made by Mike to approve the new mission statement. The motion was seconded by Paul and the motion passed.

Brent addressed seat reservations for groups attending AVB concerts. A motion was made by Paul to adopt a policy that the Middle section third row in the Grand Tier will be reserved for retired AVB members and fir the first row in the Grand Tier will be retirees and concert sponsors will be held until 6:45. Chris seconded and the motion passed. Brent will make laminated signs to be placed on reserved seats.

New Business

- a. Paul discussed the relationship with Civic Symphony, the cost of drum equipment, that both groups are sharing percussion equipment, the use or need for chimes, gong or tam tams. An adjacent room is available at the community center. Point made by Gene that no one is to be making videos during the concert.
- b. A suggestion was made by Brent that any archival video recording be done from the back of the theater near Tim's audio board because it has a raised platform and the location is not distracting to the audience members.
- c. A suggestion was made to send out invitations for other musical groups and special guests in order to increase concert attendance. Mike will be checking into special pricing or donation of Group formal wear for the next concert.
- d. The idea of having a house manager to help with seat reservations was discussed. Brent will check into this and report at a future meeting.

Paul made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45. Mike seconded.