



Allouez Village Band Ltd.

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Allouez Village Band Board of Directors Meeting

A meeting of the Allouez Village Band BOD was held on November 8, 2010 at Washington Middle School.

Present: Gene Burmeister, Paul Oleksy, Lynn Belongia, Brent Hussin, Mike Ajango, Mary Eisenreich, Chris Rossmiller, Dale Pearson

Absent:

Others Present: Wendy Smetana

Items discussed:

1. Gene reviewed our insurance coverage after it was determined that the band owns \$85,000 worth of equipment. We needed to increase our coverage about 3 times our present coverage. This will double our premiums.
2. Plans are progressing for the Christmas Party. The committee consists of Carol Osgood, Kathy Lieburn, Mary Eisenreich and Nancy Barthel.
 - a. Mike said he will move the start of the December 12 rehearsal to 5:00 PM. He will try to finish the rehearsal by 7:30. Spouses/companions/significant others can join the band members at 7:45. This will give the percussion section time to load equipment before the party.
3. Brent suggested that we put a written record on file stating our policy regarding recording and copying.
 - a. Wendy said that she will make a video recording of concerts strictly for our archives. It will be used so Mike can review the concert and the Seerings can see the concert if they have not been able to attend. Gene will keep the copy in our archives.
 - b. A Motion was made and approved stating the Allouez Band's position on Recording and copying music. The position of the Allouez Village Band is:
 - ◆ The Allouez Village Band will not engage in any audio or video recording practices without securing the necessary mechanical and/or synchronization licenses.
 - ◆ The Allouez Village Band and its members accept the limitations and privileges implied by the United States Copyright Law (CFR Title 37) and the Fair Use Clause. The following are acceptable reasons for copying music in the band's possession:
 - facilitating page turns
 - enlarging small print

- replacing damaged originals
 - ensuring that all musicians have access to a part
 - supplementing editions that are permanently out of print
- c. Per the October board meeting Gene is renewing our membership in the Association of Concert Bands to include and ASCAP/BMI license.
4. Lynn will work with Sharon H to review updating the Section Leader Responsibilities.
 5. We reviewed "members needed" and the waiting list for people that want to be members. Mike keeps the list of potential members. He said that he sometimes seeks members (and lets the band know) if sections need to be filled. If people want to join the band but sections for the instrument they play are full they go on the waiting list. He also ensures that people that want to join the band have the proficiency to play the music in our repertoire.
 6. A discussion was held on whether it was time to change/update our stagewear. It was decided to form a committee to review this. Lynn will form a committee and ask Kellie Beno, Janet Ajango, Connie Fellman and Sharon Hassel to be part of it.
 7. We need a person (or group) to set up the seating on the stage at the Meyer. This person would make sure we had consistent formation and would also resolve seating issues that develop before a concert.
 8. Reviewed whether the Treasurer should continue as an elected position or be appointed by the board. The treasurer has a lot more responsibility and the books have become more complex as band has grown. There is value in having a person long term to take care of this. Brent will look into requirements to change the treasurer to an appointed position.
 9. Discussed security of the base drum and collection buckets at the Meyer. Having band members man the buckets and thank people for coming has given us more security and increased donations. We will continue this practice.

The next board meeting is scheduled for December 6 after rehearsal. All band members are welcome to attend.

Please contact the writer with any questions or corrections.

Submitted by,

Dale Pearson