
ALLOUEZ VILLAGE BAND BOARD MEETING

January 21, 2013 8:50 pm

Present: Gene Burmeister, Brent Hussin, Mary Eisenreich, Paul Oleksy, Lynn Urquahart-Belongia, Mary Rehberg

Excused: Mike Ajango

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Gene Burmeister to approve minutes, seconded by Paul Oleksy. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

Gene Burmeister presented the financial report: checking account is just over \$3,000, and , and savings balance is nearly \$28,000, after a transfer of \$4k this month from checking. Gene will be asking our audit volunteers (Clarence and Fr. Pete) to review the books and report back on the results of their audit. Mary Eisenreich made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Paul Oleksy. Approved.

Old Business

Bylaw Updates – Associate Director. Brent reviewed a paragraph (previously distributed) to be added to the bylaws with regard to the Associate Director's position. On a motion from Mary Eisenreich, seconded by Urquahart-Belongia, the motion was approved.

Program Committee. The program committee (Mary Eisenreich, Lynn Urquahart-Belongia, Paul Oleksy, and Gene Burmeister) had no additional news to report.

Concert Attire. Janet is working on some ideas to refresh our concert attire. Look for more information as the season progresses. At a potential cost of \$100/ea for 50 women, it could be \$5k in total cost to the AVB. Tabled on Oct 1, 2012, pending further research.

Perpetual Plaque: Mike suggested we leave the last slot for Bob Seering and with the board completed, bring the plaque to a close. Tabled on Oct 1, 2012.

Chimes: Paul reviewed the Civic Symphony's proposal to buy a good set of Yamaha chimes, and split the cost with the AVB. We use the synthesizer right now because chimes are expensive and since ours would be stored in Allouez, they'd be awkward to move. However, chimes do roll well and would be an improvement in sound quality; Mike Ajango expressed his support for splitting the cost with the Civic Symphony. At

this time, the Civic Symphony doesn't appear ready to make the final decision, so we'll wait for them. Tabled on October 22, 2012.

New Business

Projector: The Meyer has moved the projection screen from mid-stage to the back wall, because it was deflecting sound from percussion and blocking their view. No further action required.

Christmas Party: Brent reviewed the final results from the Christmas Party. Nearly 100 people attended, and we got very positive feedback from members who appreciated not having to do much. St. Brendan's was poorly prepared for our group (split rooms, ran out of food, and quality of the meal was moderate). We landed right on budget with a food cost of nearly \$1,200, offset by \$500 in ticket sales, leaving a net cost to the band of \$700.

Alternatives for next year could include a change of venue, or having a picnic instead of a Christmas party. Brent will survey the band to get their input.

Coming elections: Brent reviewed the coming election cycle: Mary Rehberg is up (having finished the second year of Robin Karchinski's term), along with Brent Hussin and Kim Smithson. Kim has declined to run for reelection.

Sponsorship Levels: There has been some confusion with regard to being a *band sponsor* vs. a *concert sponsor* (i.e. who gets the reserved seats). We will review these titles along with our overall review of programs.

Bylaws: Brent distributed language that the Board approves the Creation of Committees, and approves their activity and spending levels. We will ask committees to make notes on their activity and submit them to the board in order to monitor spending, but also to ensure the continuity of information as committees change. A vote on these bylaw changes will be at the next meeting.

Thank Yous: Our Sunshine Lady had knee surgery; Gene will have flowers sent to her. Brent will pick up a large, decorative card for the Board to sign as a thank-you to Schroeders for the February flowers at our concert.

Rehearsals: Members discussed the final dress rehearsals at the Allouez Community Center and scheduling of the January Jazz Concert. Both were tabled until Mike's return.

With no further business brought before the board, and on a motion from Mary Eisenreich, seconded by Gene Burmeister, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm.