Minutes of Band Council Meeting Sacramento Concert Band December 1, 2014

The meeting of the Sacramento Concert Band Council opened at 6:15 p.m. on December 1, 2014 in the East Music Room at Rio Americano High School.

The members present were:

Steve Sherman Bob Allshouse Dawn David Linda Thomas Norm Hill Grant Parker Bill Parker

The minutes of the meeting of October 27, 2014, were approved.

Most of the meeting focused on preparations for the Holiday Concert scheduled for December 15, 2015. Grant announced that Gary Gravier would be playing in the concert in the Euphonium Section. He also noted that the band membership had risen to 51 members, exceeding the minimum membership required by the Adult Education program. Steve Sherman reported that he would be missing the dress rehearsal but would be at the concert.

Discussion moved to the "uniform of the day" for the concert. The group agreed that black formal wear would be required for the first half, and the second half featuring holiday music would allow red or green accents.

Bob Allshouse passed out copies of the concert program for review. He said he would circulate copies during the rehearsal so members could proof the spelling of their names. The group agreed that the form for people to use in the drawing for CDs of past concerts would be included with the program.

Linda Thomas reported that the publicity for the concert was on track. The web mailer was done, and the contacts to retirement homes had been accomplished. She said that another email would go out to the concert email list. She had distributed flyers previously and had more to pass out at the rehearsal.

The group discussed the raffle plan. There would be a free raffle for past concert CDs using the entry forms to build our concert email list. A separate money raffle would be conducted for Karen's quilt and teddy bears. This raffle would need tickets and

volunteers to sell the tickets during the intermission. We would also ask church members to pass the collection plates for the church's food bank.

Grant said that he would be trying a new way for recording the concert. During rehearsal he would ask for more volunteers for the loading and stage setup crew. He said he would find out if we could use the church's timpani and chimes. This would reduce the load for moving equipment. The group reviewed the timing for different steps of moving equipment and decided that the rental truck would meet the loading crew at Rio at 4:30. The setup crew would need to be at the church by 5:30.

Grant said he would bring the gong rack from Cosunmes River College to display the quilt.

The next meeting of the band council would be on January 26, the Monday after the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. This would be the second rehearsal in January. The first rehearsal will be on January 12.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Norman Hill Secretary