

**Sacramento Concert Band Council
Minutes –October 31, 2016 Meeting**

The meeting of the Sacramento Concert Band Council opened at 6:00 p.m., October 31, 2016, in the choir room of El Camino High School.

Members present were:

Bob Allshouse
Jean Angel
Les Corbin
Dawn David
Norm Hill
Karen Hung
James Murray
Grant Parker
Jill Somers
Jane Fanucci for Minty Green

The minutes from the meeting of October 10, 2016, were approved. Jill asked that Norm send her a copy when he sends the approved minutes to Mark.

Council Functioning

Jill led a discussion about the functioning of the band council. The members came up with the following ideas:

Things we do well:

Coordinate concerts
Acquire volunteers
Accomplishing things
Run meetings well
Communicate well by email
Prepare a To Do list
Promote socializing with good snacks at break
Appreciate Grant's selection of music
Cooperate in good rehearsals

Things where we need improvement

Communication within the council
Fund raising and donations
Communicating among band members
Providing the concert schedule
Communicating the list of selections for the concert
Developing a substitute list
Acquiring volunteers for band related tasks
Developing a phone tree by sections to help communicate in emergencies

Reducing talking during rehearsals
Individually improving musicianship
Recruiting new members

Recruitment

Dawn reported the following results of her survey of how new members found the band:

- 3 – People knew Grant
- 1 – Craig’s List
- 2 – Personal recruiting
- 1 – Came to concert
- 1 – Google search
- 1 – Knew someone in the band

Treasurer’s Report

Les distributed a Treasurer’s Report for the period 9/1/2016 through 10/30/2016. The report showed a starting balance of \$2,225.67, expenditures of \$813.40, and a closing balance of \$1,412.27.

He also reported that the band has 53 paid members.

Sound System

Grant reported that he has found a wireless microphone and transmission system that works well for connecting with the speakers in the El Camino music room. He said that the vendor had allowed him to borrow the system and try it out. The cost would be slightly above \$500. After motion and second, the council approved purchasing the system.

Concert Checklist Review

Jill reviewed the Concert checklist, and members agreed to take the following actions.

Jill will ask General Davie or George Preston about how to get our concerts listed on the SVSBA website.

Grant will update last year’s flyer.

Minty and Jane will evaluate sending flyers to additional senior independent and assisted living places.

Grant will send the flyer to the Council members. Mark will post it to the website, Bill will send it to the fan list, Minty will send it to publicity contacts and Bob will send it to the band members requesting they forward to family and friends.

Grant will finalize the program.

Bob will send the selection list to the band members.

Publicity

Karen asked about concert night publicity. She wanted to know about putting up the SCB banner at the church on concert night. In lieu of the banner, she asked if we could put out a sign “Free Concert Tonight” in front of the church. Generally people thought that publicity before the concert would be more effective than on concert night. It was decided to not put the banner up at the concerts but that putting out recruitment flyers would be OK.

The group agreed to put a question on the program insert asking how people heard about the concert. During the concert, Grant will ask the audience members to complete the insert and put them into the collection plate.

Fund Raising

Jim Murray discussed the list he distributed of items for the raffle. He agreed to make an announcement at rehearsal asking people to review the list and to bring in items for the raffle.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on November 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the El Camino High School music room.

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norm Hill

Secretary