Sacramento Concert Band Council Minutes - May 8, 2017 Meeting

The meeting of the Sacramento Concert Band opened at 5:45 p.m., Monday, May 8, 2017 in the music room of El Camino High School.

People present were:

Bob Allshouse

Jean Angel

Les Corbin

Dawn David

Norm Hill

Karen Hung

Jim Murray

Grant Parker

Linda Powell

Jill Somers

The minutes from the April 24, 2017 meeting were approved.

Concert Preparation

Jill opened the concert preparation discussion with a review of the concert checklist noting that we had two weeks to go before the concert.

Jill expressed appreciation for the work Minty has already done in arranging publicity for the concert. She noted that we still need to get an announcement of the concert on the SVSBA website. Jill said she would contact SVSBA and send them a flyer.

Bob said that we need to send the roster around again during rehearsal. Some members have not yet shown that they have checked the spelling of their name or which performances they will be attending. He said he will have a draft of the concert program at next week's rehearsal. He has a picture from Tim's Band Instrument Service to include in the program. He wants a list of volunteers serving the concert to recognize in the program.

Jim Murray said that we will be looking for more ways to raise funds for the band. He mentioned the "Amazon Smile" program that can give a charitable organization .5% back from purchases made by people who designate that charity for the fund raising. The group discussed the idea but thought that the return might be too small for the effort. We will continue to look for new ideas. Jim showed the deeper baskets he obtained for passing the baskets for donations at the concert.

Jim said we still need more volunteers for passing the baskets during the last number of the first half of the concert. Grant said he would ask his sister to help.

Norm reported that he has trucks reserved for the Spring Concert and the Memorial Day performance. He was only able to reserve the large, 26 foot long size. Since we will be using the church's tympani for the Spring Concert, he will try to change the reservation for May 22 to a 17 foot truck. The loading crew is set because we asked for a permanent set of volunteers for that job, and Norm will send out a reminder to the group. We have often been short of people for unloading at the church, so he will ask if some of the loading crew can come directly to the church from Rio, bring their tuxes along, and change at the church after unloading. These people can also help set up the stage.

Shirt Policy

The council discussed the issue of a shirt policy for the band using a list of discussion points put together by Jim Murray. As a result of the discussion, the council developed the following policy for the shirts for informal performances:

- 1. The band will buy shirts for the members.
- 2. All band members who have registered for the class will get a band shirt free unless they have already bought one.
- 3. When a person leaves the band, the shirt shall be returned to the band unless the person bought the shirt.
- 4. The first time a person needs a replacement shirt, the band shall replace the shirt free. The second time a person needs a replacement shirt, the person shall buy the shirt at full price.
- 5. The band shall keep a reserve of shirts for loan to substitutes for performances. After the performance, the substitute shall return the shirt.
- 6. The band council will decide on the color, fabric, and style of the shirts. Men's and women's sizes will be made available.

The next meeting of the council will focus on planning for the year ahead. It will be held on August 14, 2017 at Jill Somers's home at 4507 Northampton Drive, Carmichael.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm, May 8, 2017.

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Respectfully submitted,

Norm Hill, Secretary