

Sacramento Valley Symphonic Band Association

Members of the Board Directors Meeting
Sunday, May 14, 2023 - 4:30 p.m. via Zoom

Board Members Present

David Meyer
Grant Parker
Christina Nordin
Mark Meeker
Bianca Peterson
Steve Chambers (4:41pm)
Dave Machado (4:43pm)

Board Members Absent

SVSBA Members Present

George Preston
Mary Rose Preston

The President called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with a quorum reached.

Agenda - Dave moves, Mark seconds, to approve the agenda as submitted. Passes unanimously.

Minutes - Grant moves, Christina seconds, to approve the minutes as revised. Passes unanimously.

Treasurer's Reports - David asks for information on the "Corbin Loan". George offers clarification. Reports are accepted as submitted.

Music Library Report - George reviews the submitted library report. Cap City Concert Band director has spent time in the library to make copies to replace missing parts. George will be reaching out to bands with reports on missing music. George will be sending webmaster updates to the library page and again asks for the library link to be moved to a different location on the menu. Mary Rose thanks the board members who have volunteered at the library.

Committee Reports

- **Membership** (George Preston) -
 - Elk Grove bylaws have been updated to be in alignment with SVSBA bylaws.
 - Capitol Pops continues to show intent to join for 2023-24.
 - David will draft the President's Letter using General Davies as a model with a focus on the accountability section.
 - **Motion to approve membership package as presented. Dave moves, Steve seconds. Motion carries.**
- **Carmichael Park Band Festival** (Grant Parker) - Sacramento Youth Band has moved to 11 am Saturday. All bands have submitted their programs, proofed and returned the edits and they are out for printing. An ad has been taken out in Valley News. Contact with the Parks District has been communicative. The certificate of insurance has been submitted. Food trucks must go through their vendor, Grant will clarify and pass along to Bianca.

Action Item: Bianca will send the list of food trucks to Grant.

Photographer has been contacted and Grant has the preorder forms.

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CHCMB will be providing the equipment except for Timpani. Other equipment will likely come from Rio Americano HS, Grant will arrange as needed.

Grant asks for board support to change stage set-up and move equipment on Saturday at 5:45 pm and Sunday at 11:45 am and 6:45 pm moving chairs and concert percussion backstage or to the stage.

Action Item: Bianca asks if a Parks Dept. rep can be onsite or information be available for other Parks Dept. events. Grant will work on that.

- **Youth Artist Scholarship & Audition** (Grant Parker) - Soloist thanked the SVSBA, the concert went well, the soloist excelled.
- **Middle School Music Lessons Scholarship** (Bianca Patterson) - No update.
- **Social Media/Outreach** (Bianca Patterson) - No update.
- **Website** (Christina Nordin) - Reviewed updates made.
 - **Action Item: Christina will work with Grant for QR code creation, hosting the program online.**
 - **Action Item: Christina will update the website with the backlog of minutes and board documents.**

Website Renewal - SVSBA.org domain registration has lapsed, .org redirects to .net at this time. Board wishes to continue for 3 years, Christina and Mark will work together to renew.

Board Election Update - No responses have been received by David. David asks the board members if they will run again when their term ends. Dave Machado is happy to run again but may be leaving the state and is unsure. Mark Meeker plans to run again. Steve Chambers will not be re-running. David will send another message to directors with a request to the directors to respond that the message has been sent to their membership.

Budget Proposal and Review - Mark states that the Youth Band will not be joining SVSBA this year and has been removed from the budget calculations. The budget reflects \$8 per capita fee from bands instead of \$9 as in the membership package. David recommends updating the per capita fee to \$9. Grant asks if there is something the association can cite as the reason for the cost increase. Operating costs have increased. Reserves were depleted during COVID while all bands were on hiatus and the fees were held.

David requests a motion to approve the budget as proposed with the increased membership fee. Steve moves, Dave seconds. Motion carries and the budget is approved as presented with the increased membership fee.

BDOG - SVSBA received \$1157 from Big Day of Giving. Bianca recommends the board participates more in the planning meetings and sharing of the BDOG marketing. Bianca requests the spend of the funds is noted for visibility next year.

Band Member Database - Communication Database in HubSpot - For outreach purposes Bianca and Christina plan to invite SVSBA band members (and non-members) to sign up to

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receive SVSBA direct communication, including election announcements, upcoming performances, scholarships, fundraising like BDOG and Giving Tuesday, board meeting invitations and recaps, etc. as the president and board see fit.

This invitation will be a short, digital form that includes full privacy disclaimers that are in compliance with CANSPAM laws. This will be encouraged and optional.

This will create a database of members with their instrumentation, band membership, and contact information for SVSBA reference and communication.

Discuss creation of Director's Network in lieu of Directors Committee - No update.

To Do List

April list will be updated to include the budget being created, reviewed and approved. George will send a copy to all board members and the secretary will be responsible for maintaining the To Do List moving forward.

- May
 - All items are completed, the membership package will go out once David provides the president's letter.
- June

Items from the Board

Mark Meeker - The Pittsburg Band signed a contract last fall and agreed to pay their conductor \$2000 in three installments. They were late in the first payment, and don't have funds to make the second payment. Is this something the board should act on? David states there is no responsibility on the board, we can't take on a particular responsibility. Mark has provided the band what they need for grant applications.

David Meyer - Sacramento Office of Arts and Culture COVID Relief Grant Update -There is no decision yet however SVSBA has been recommended for \$13,678.84 over two years. The next meeting where the grant applications may be considered is May 23.

Items from the Floor

No items

Adjournment - Grant moves, Dave seconds, motion carries to adjourn at 5:50 pm.

The next meeting is on Sunday June 11, 2023 at 4:30pm via Zoom.