

Sacramento Valley Symphonic Band Association

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, January 14, 2024 - 7:00 on Zoom

Board Members Present

David Meyer, President
Grant Parker, Vice President
Mark Meeker, Treasurer
Bianca Patterson, Director
Tom Seaton, Director

SVSBA Member Present

Mary Preston, Acting Secretary (temporary)

Board Member Absent

Susan Hamre

The President called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Agenda - Approved as is.

Approval of November Minutes - Mark moved, Grant seconded, to accept the November Minutes as presented. Approved; unanimous.

Treasurer's Report - Mark reported that financial documents for November and December were prepared and are available to view. Year-end filings are completed for California RRF-1/CR-TR-1 and FTB 199N. As of January he has not been able to file the IRS form 990N because the IRS webpage has been down for "scheduled" maintenance since mid-December. The IRS does not know when the site would be back up, but that our Association is in good standing and we should file as soon as the site comes back online. He will check back daily.

With the Board's approval, Mark will download the Chase Bank Mobile App onto his phone, in order to make the deposits easier. No objections.

Music Library Report - *George Preston & Mary Rose Preston, Music Librarians*

Report sent to all SVSBA members and is on the cloud. David reminded the Board to volunteer for a two-hour shift in the music library or to arrange for someone in their band(s) to work "just two hours" each month in the library.

Website - Mark volunteered to take over as Webmaster and to complete the many un-done tasks.

Carmichael Park Band Festival - Carmichael Park has requested a facility use form; Grant will work with Mark to get the certificate of insurance for them. Grant said that the Carmichael Park employees will provide the food trucks, so we will not need to.

Band applications will be accepted in order of when he receives payment.

1. Elk Grove Community Concert Band – 8/10
2. Sacramento Concert Band – 8/15
3. Capitol Pops Concert Band – 10/9
4. Sacramento Symphonic Winds – 10/13
5. Winds of Faith – 10/14
6. Rancho Cordova River City Concert Band – 10/23
7. Amador County Concert Band – 10/31

8. Pittsburg/Vallejo – 11/16
9. Ophir Prison Marching Band.... 11/15 effective 12/1
10. Swingmasters 12/4
11. Solano Winds 12/10
12. Fred Morgan Big Band 12/12
13. AUSA Sounds of Freedom (Fresno) 12/17
14. Capital City Concert Band 12/27

15. Joyous Brass 12/27
16. Sacramento Swing Collective 1/12
17. Sacramento Youth Band 1/12

- Verbal requests, awaiting apps and checks
18. Roseville CCB
 19. Citrus Heights Community Marching Band
 20. Shrine Band

Youth Soloist Competition - Grant was at the CMEA Honor Band rehearsal on Saturday, and he put an application on every chair. Application deadline is February 1. Live auditions will be at Rio Americano on Monday, February 26. Hosting band is Amador County Concert Band, with plans to have the soloist perform at the Carmichael Park Band Festival.

Middle School Music Lessons Scholarship - Bianca reported that there has been no communication back from the student who was awarded the scholarship, and she does not know if the student has started lessons, or what the status is. She will “reach out” again. Grant suggested expanding the search area to include the Honor Band.

Motion: Bianca moved as follows: If the MSMLS student does not appear, then the money will be used to fund the sending of 22 Thomas Edison Middle School music students to the El Camino High School band clinic at \$30/pp. Motion passed unanimously.

Social Media - Bianca said she will be gearing up soon to promote the Carmichael Park Band Festival.

Board Resignation and Replacements - Chris Nordin has resigned from the Board.

Motion: David moved, Grant seconded, to accept Tom Seaton as a Board member. Approved; unanimous. Tom is finishing up Chris’ term. David reported that Susan Hamre was accepted to the Board via prior emails. The person in charge of keeping the Monthly Checklist will move the recruiting for board members task reminder from May to April.

Board Liaisons - Discussion on whether this program is showing any results. Grant will write up a plan to offer to have a person in each band attend board meetings as a liaison. David will send meeting minutes to each band director.

Herald Trumpets - Thomas Roehr’s donation of herald trumpets has been received and they are now at Tim’s Music and available to SVSBA bands. Grant will get a value of the instruments and send a letter to Thomas Roehr for tax purposes.

Financial Review - No progress this month.

Items from the Board Grant Parker volunteered to be the second signatory in place of Chris Nordin. Mark and Grant will go to Chase Bank to change signature authority, adding Grant Parker and removing Chris. The Bank requires an “affidavit” (Minutes will suffice) showing official Board action on the transfer of positions. Mark will change website e-mails to reflect the new Board members. David thanked Tom Seaton for joining the Board.

Next Board Meeting Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Rose Preston