

Sacramento Valley Symphonic Band Association

Members of the Board Directors Meeting

Sunday, March 12, 2023 - 4:30 p.m. via Zoom

Board Members Present

David Meyer
Grant Parker
Steve Chambers
Christina Nordin
Dave Machado
Bianca Patterson

Board Members Absent

Mark Meeker

SVSBA Members Present

George Preston
Mary Rose Preston

The President called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. with a quorum reached.

Agenda - Steve moves, Dave seconds to approve the agenda as submitted, motion passes unanimously.

Minutes - Grant moves, Christina seconds to approve the minutes as submitted, motion passes unanimously.

Treasurer's Reports - Mark Meeker submitted the reports to the board and requests feedback directly.

Music Library Report - Board accepts the report as submitted.

Reschedule April 2023 Board Meeting - To accommodate the Easter holiday, the April board meeting will be scheduled on Saturday, April 8, 2023 at 4:30pm via Zoom.

Committee Reports

- **Membership** (George Preston)
 - Capitol City Pops is still anticipated to join as an affiliate member. The CCP board of directors will be meeting with George to review the group's needs.
 - The wind ensemble of Sacramento Youth Symphony is considering membership for 2023-24.
- **Carmichael Park Band Festival** (Grant Parker)
 - As of this meeting there are 18 groups signed up. Grant is working earlier than usual to create the lineup to ensure all groups are accommodated.
 - The website will be updated to show the 2024 application.
- **Youth Artist Scholarship & Audition** (Grant Parker)
 - 6 auditions were held. A primary and secondary winner were selected. Flautist Rudy Mahajan with the Davis High School band was selected as the winner.
 - Sacramento Symphonic Winds will purchase the performance piece and SVSBA will reimburse the group, and will own the piece for the music library.
- **Middle School Music Lessons Scholarship** (Bianca Patterson)
 - No new information
- **Social Media/Outreach** (Bianca Patterson)
 - No new information

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- **Website** (Christina Nordin)
 - The webmaster will be sending an email to all directors and member band leadership to invite them to review and if needed update their band pages *and* to submit their upcoming performances to the new performance calendar.

Association of Concert Bands (ACB) Regional Convention - SVSBA is invited to host a regional convention for the ACB. ACB provided ideas and concepts for SVSBA to review. Costs will vary based on timing and location. Up to \$2000 of “seed money” can be requested from ACB to begin the process, the rest of the costs fall onto the host organization.

- David asks what are the benefits to the SVSBA to host this event. Bianca offers networking and increased member benefits (discounted rate).
- Christina, Bianca and Grant offer feedback and ideas for making the event successful, including pushing out to 2025.
- Bianca proposes to offer this out to the membership for feedback and requesting support as a host band.

Action Item - Bianca will create a poll to be sent to the membership seeking host band(s) and desired activities at a potential conference. The poll will also be linked on the website and on SVSBA social media

BDOG Committee Report - Bianca continues to work on a marketing campaign. Giving Edge reached back to Bianca to correct a fiscal year discrepancy in the paperwork.

Action Item - Bianca will work with Mark Meeker to correct the discrepancy.

New Committee Formation - The committees proposed in February have goals, objectives and scopes of work drafted and presented to the board. Unless there are any comments or revisions from the board, recruitment can begin and meetings can be scheduled for the work to accomplish the goals of the committees.

Action Items - Christina will provide an application form to the board to be sent to all members as an invitation to serve. Christina will provide wording to David to be sent to member bands.

Bylaw Committee Appointment - David calls for volunteers from the board to serve on a short term committee to review and potentially revise the current SVSBA bylaws, which were last approved in 2016. Christina and Grant step forward to serve. Review as committee the existing bylaws for accuracy and necessary revisions.

Action Item - All committee members will review existing bylaws and provide to David before the April 2023 meeting.

To Do List

- March
 - Youth Symphony Award and check are addressed
- April
 - PO Box renewal

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- David will begin the election process

Items from the Board

- No comments

Items from the floor

- George mentions to the board that the bylaws state all members are welcome in the board meetings and felt slighted by a statement made by David. David apologizes and affirms that all members are welcome and invited to participate.
- George reminds the bylaws committee to take heed when reviewing the bylaws to consider why a bylaw might be there and why it is written the way it is before seeking to make changes.

Adjournment - Christina moves, Grant seconds to adjourn at 5:47pm, motion passes unanimously.

The next meeting is on Saturday April 8, 2023 at 4:30pm via Zoom.