



MSU Alumni Band

Alumni Band Executive Board Meeting Minutes

2:00 pm, Sunday, September 16, 2018

The Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, Olympus Room

1. Call to Order/Announcements

a. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm.

Members Present:

Greg Pell, President

Betty Elliott, Secretary

Stacie Detgen, Past President

Abby Zarimba, Treasurer

Jack Nelson, Special Event Coordinator

Lynn Brown, Golf Outing Coordinator

Bob Rice, Historian

Whitney Lorenz, SMB Alumni

Dale Bartlett, Emeritus Advisor

Tim Fox, Member Relations

Nancy Nelson, List Serve Manager

b. Announcements:

- 1) Greg announced it was Lynn Brown's birthday so all serenaded with song.
- 2) Guests Katie Olkowski and Evan Blanchard, Kappa Kappa Psi alums, were in attendance. They will be assisting on the post-game reception.
- 3) Greg presented a "Participation Award" plaque to Jim Barry which was discovered in the archive items.
- 4) Jim relayed greetings from Ken Bloomquist. His rehab is going well but unfortunately won't be able to attend the fall reunion.
- 5) Guest Steve Boughton (produced hype video) was visiting. We are recruiting him as an alum board member and as a great liaison for younger alum participation and hopefully bridge the generational gap.

2. Reports:

A. Secretary's Report - Betty Elliott: The report was approved with minor corrections.

B. Treasurer's Report – Abby Zarimba reported no activity since the last meeting.

C. Development Report – Madison was not in attendance. Greg reported on her behalf relaying that we have reached 60% of our band jacket fund commitment. (\$3380 of \$5000). Abby advised that she was holding checks that take us \$217 over our goal. Another successful campaign.

D. Band Directors' Report – None were in attendance. Greg reported that the level of cooperation and enthusiasm has been great.

E. President's Report – Greg announced that Brian O'Conner from Princess Cruise has offered to fund the post-game reception to the tune of \$2000. Greg was able to get cider and donuts (83 dozen) for almost half that amount. Ron Coleson, the Okemos Store Director, has offered to deliver all food free of charge.

The band has been asked to play the Faygo song at a book launch about Faygo history. Nancy will solicit players via an e-mail blast.

Greg is working with James Pignatero, the Assistant Athletic Director, for parking passes.

The Willow's is asking for a small band to play Shadows and will make a donation. Greg will get the details and Nelsons will handle.

- F. Past President's Report – Stacie relayed health information on Ken Bloomquist. Dave Catron had a hip replacement and will be unable to attend. It's possible there will be no alum directors in attendance. She will follow up on instrument distribution.
- G. The Encore Manager's Report – Jim had no report. The latest issue has been published and is on the web.
- H. Member Relations Report – Tim Fox reported that late registration has opened. So far 240 have registered to attend with 230 marching. We have one recent grad signed up. Registration includes a lot of new names.
- I. Special Events Coordinator's Report – Jack Nelson
 - 1) There has been great disappointment that we were not in the Pentwater parade this year. Jack and others are attempting to obtain funding for next year's participation.
 - 2) Once again we are being provided a flatbed truck for the Homecoming parade.
 - 3) Jack spoke with Dr. Thornton regarding the holiday bands. At this point in time we are scheduled for two women's basketball games, four hockey games, and four to six men's basketball games.
- J. List Serve Manager's Report – Nancy Nelson Nancy reported that the next e-mail blast will go out on September 20th. She confirmed all content with the board
- K. Social Media Report - See report at end of these minutes.

3. Old Business Fall Reunion

- A. Lupe will be handling the after half-time apples.
- B. Dr. Thornton is doing his best to get 1.5 seats per person for stadium seating.
- C. Greg is trying to get more drop-off passes.
- D. Katie and Evan will coordinate all Dem Hall access and finding people to assist with unloading of the cider and donuts.
- E. Jim will be handling event photography.
- F. Kappa Kappa Psi is trying to get more alums and would like a table at the reunion. Tim will also add this to next year's registration form.
- G. Bob Thomas, the new MSUAA Executive Director, is an SMB alum.

The next meeting will be November 4th at 2:00, in the Olympus Room, Kellogg Center.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betty M. Elliott

