

MSU ALUMNI BAND
Alumni Band Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Sunday, June 24, 2012

REMINDER: The next Board meeting will be Sunday, August 26, 2012

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:12 p.m. by President Jim Barry, at the Olympus Room of the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center.

Present: Dale Bartlett, Jim Barry, Lynn Brown, Betty Elliott, Tim Fox, Stacie Detgen, Susan Gould, Melissa Mackey, John Madden, Jack Nelson, Nancy Nelson, Greg Pell, and Bob Rice

2. **Secretary's Report – Betty Elliott**

The Secretary's report was approved as submitted.

3. **Treasurer's Report – Greg Pell** (attached at end of minutes)

The Treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

4. **Past-President's Report – Jim Barry reported in Bill's absence**

- a. Information for the next issues of The Encore is due in immediately. Deadline is July 21st.
- b. Falcone Statue Initiative: Gary and Bill met with Ed Deeb regarding this project; results very positive for Ed getting on board. There will be another meeting soon with additional MSU individuals.

Bill's report, via Jim, was accepted as submitted.

5. **Vice President's Report – Stacie Detgen**

Stacie reported she will be getting the fall parking passes (hopefully 7 as last year) for the fall reunion.

Stacie's report was accepted as submitted.

6. **President's Report – Jim Barry (see attached)**

As a reminder, Vice President Stacie Detgen has agreed to run for the President position and will be on the slate of officers presented to the membership at the fall reunion.

Jim's report was approved as submitted.

7. Band Director's Report

- a. John Madden reported the SMB has a new drum major for this fall to pair with the senior drum major.
- b. 90 individuals auditioned for 47 spots.
- c. There will be a visiting band for every home game; Nebraska will be in attendance as well. The SMB will be performing at Central Michigan University
- d. Thanks were given to John for all of his hard work and for the music selections for the upcoming fall reunion.

8. Member Relations Coordinator's Report – Tim Fox

- a. Tim presented reports that included: (1) survey results from the 2012 spring concert; (2) data showing the numbers of attendees from the various graduating years; and (3) information relative to numbers of registrations received, no-shows, dues paid, etc. (All attached at end of these minutes). There was an extremely high rate of return on the surveys. Graduation year participation is pretty much the same as in previous years. Comments have been extremely helpful.

Tim's report was approved as submitted.

9. Special Projects Coordinator's Report – Jack Nelson

- a. Plans are proceeding well for the second annual, August 11th, Pentwater performance. Still raising money for students' participation. Hope to officially announce in 7-10 days. The goal is to get 30 alums and 30 students to participate. There will be three different performance opportunities on that day.
- b. Requests for special event gigs (those not MSU sanctioned) continue to come in. Discussion resulted in trying to get groups available in specific areas that might do this; not for money but donations encouraged. Jack will funnel the request to a specific area/person. An article in *The Encore* will be published trying to get these groups on record. All of the Rah, Rah music can be available via the web. It was officially moved by Susan Gould that the Alumni Band Board will work with Special Events coordinators to facilitate the provision of small ensemble groups for special events requests with a donation to the scholarship funds. Greg seconded and the motion passed. Stacie and Jack agreed to be the Lansing area coordinators; Jim the Detroit area and Susan the Grand Rapids/West Michigan area.

Jack's report was accepted as submitted.

10. Event Manager's report – Gary Baron – Not in Attendance

11. List Serve Manager's Report – Nancy Nelson

Nancy reports that due to the recent announcement by MSU that all alumni accounts (@msu.edu) are going to be shut down, she has received several new e-mail addresses.

Nancy's report was accepted as submitted.

12. Tour Band Representative's Report – Dale Bartlett - nothing new to report

13. Old Business

- a. Spring Reunion – See President's report as well as Member relations report. Fairchild Theater will not be available for next year's concert due to ongoing renovations. It was agreed that we will go with Demonstration Hall if available on April 28th. John will clear this reservation.
- b. Recent Grad Participation – Melissa advised that we not focus strictly on the SMB, but include music majors as well. We need to have some sort of Alum/SMB connection on reunion day (section pictures; salute a specific year at each reunion; find section leaders for social media contact, etc.). John and Melissa will work further one-on-one.
- c. Falcone Statue – See President's Report. Further discussion deferred to next meeting
- d. Fall Reunion – See President's Report. Jeff Kressler has agreed to arrange music for the entire program. The program will be "40th Anniversary of Women's Membership in the SMB". The first female in the SMB will be acknowledged on the new video board. Jim has spoken with Beth (Mlynarek) Kaufman, and he will contact Lynn Charbonneau's relatives for more information (one of two original females in the group). John will make sure that Jeff knows we have an August 1st deadline for music distribution.

15. New Business

- a. "Beneath the Pines" availability and possible sales – tabled to next meeting.

16. Adjournment – the meeting adjourned at 4:06. The next meeting will be August 26, 2012.

Respectfully submitted

Betty M. Elliott