

MSU ALUMNI BAND
Alumni Band Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Sunday, April 14, 2013

REMINDER: The next Board meeting will be 10:00 a.m., Saturday, June 8, 2013

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m. by President Stacie Detgen, at the Olympus Room of the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center.

Present: Dale Bartlett, Gary Baron, Jim Barry, Dave Catron, Betty Elliott, Tim Fox, Stacie Detgen, Susan Gould, Melissa Mackey, Jack Nelson, Greg Pell, Bob Rice, Kevin Sedatole, Gordon Spink, Abby Zarimba

2. Stacie thanked everyone for agreeing to start today's meeting at 1:00 instead of the usual 2:00.

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

The Secretary's report corrected to remove the VP designation by Susan Gould's name. The report was approved as corrected.

4. **Treasurer's Report – Greg Pell** (see report at end of minutes) – Approved a submitted.

5. **Past President's Report** – Jim reported that he sent articles to the MSUAA Magazine which should be out soon.

6. **Vice President's Report** – Melissa reported that all music for the spring concert was received in a very timely manner and thanked all who had a part in that happening.

7. **President's Report** – (see report at end of minutes)

8. **Band Director's Report - Kevin Sedatole**

- a. For multiple reasons Kevin felt he had to talk to John Madden about any sort of "surprise" ceremony recognizing his 25th year anniversary this fall during the fall reunion. He is extremely appreciative but feels there simply isn't enough time for any major recognition and/or production. It was agreed that the Board members could come onto the field for a brief presentation. He will work with Cormack Cannon and Mark Hollis on possible use of the video board while the band is playing. Send any suggestions you might have for a gift to Stacie Detgen.
- b. Plans continue for the Wind Symphony's 2014 scheduled performance at Carnegie Hall. The cost for just using the hall is \$60,000 but 100% of those funds have already been raised, including a \$5000 donation from President LouAnna and Dr. Simon. The need continues for funding for travel, hotel, etc. Kelly Dean Transportation has made a generous donation to that fund. The Board will make numerous plugs via our website, Facebook, etc.
- c. President LouAnna and Dr. Simon have made a \$19,000 donation to support SMB scholarships.

9. **Member Relations Coordinator's Report – Tim Fox**

Tim reported that 45 have registered for the Spring concert with 44 playing. 85% have responded on time and contributions to the scholarship funds have increased and donations were made to the band jacket fund. Having these options on the EventBrite registration form is most likely the reason for the increases. Tim's report was approved as submitted.

10. Special Projects Coordinator's Report – Jack Nelson

- a. Jack reported that we had the largest pep band ever at the March 7th Wisconsin game – 90 players. Jack and others were also interviewed on the pre-game radio show, “Fans in the Stands.”
- b. The next event on the calendar will be the summer Pentwater parade/reunion/lunch.
- c. Jim moved that a formal commendation be made for all the wonderful, hard work for so many years that Jack Nelson has done in successfully arranging these pep and other special bands. Motion seconded and unanimously approved.

Jack's report was accepted as submitted.

11. List Serve Manager's Report – Nancy Nelson – Jack reported on Nancy's behalf that all systems are working well and she too wants to thank everyone for the music getting to everyone on time.

12. Event manager's Report – Gary Baron – nothing new to report.

13. Tour Band Representative's Report – Dale Bartlett – Dale reports that 50 players will be going on tour and there is very good instrumentation, so it should be a great group.

14. Old Business

- a. **Spring Reunion** – Will be April 28th in Demonstration Hall. Stacie will obtain additional music folders and confirm the Dem Hall entry time. Gary will e-mail the percussion music needs to Stacie.
- b. **Falcone Bronze Plaque** – Stacie has the names of people to contact regarding a “relief” plaque. Once Mrs. Falcone has decided on a picture, further research will be done regarding price, size, wording, etc.
- c. **Publicity** – all reported on above.

15. New Business

- a. **Fall Reunion** – Will be held September 7th, the 2nd of three consecutive home games. Music selection needs to be done by April 30th and in the hands of Gary and Tim by June 1st. This will allow announcement in *The Encore* by June 1st as well, with EventBrite registration starting July 1st. There won't be any special big celebration for Madden's 25th, but it was decided to have cupcakes for both bands after the game on Dem Field. Gary reported that cleanup has always been an issue for the lunch portion of the day. The cost from current vendor is great but it doesn't include cleanup. He has indicated he can provide large cardboard boxes. It was decided we will stay with this vendor but aggressively recruit for many more cleanup volunteers.
- b. **Alumni Band E-mail Address** – Pros and cons can be made both ways for keeping or changing the MSU Alumni Band Board e-mail but it was decided to keep as is (alumband@msu.edu) We can do this via the SMB account at a cost of \$1 a month. It needs to be emphasized that we be consistent and use this address for all correspondence (as opposed to personal e-mails)
- c. **MSU College of Music Alumni Board** - Gordon Spink distributed a copy of the “Alumni Interest Group Guidelines”. While not a requirement, he suggested it would be very good PR to submit an annual report to the AIG. He indicated grants are available and is willing to work with the board to write/obtain those. He is currently working with Jack on this. He also indicated that he would like to be copied on any correspondence regarding articles, photos, etc. for publication if we don't hear back with confirmation on publication.
- d. **Encore Summer Edition Deadline** – Jim will get official date from Kim.
- e. **Next Meeting Date** – Due to a variety of conflicts, the next meeting will be on Saturday, June 8th at 10:00. We agreed also to set the following meeting for August 18th at 2:00. Greg will handle booking the Olympus Room as always.
- f. **Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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MSU Alumni Band Association
President's Report
April 14, 2013

1. Kevin Sedatole and I spoke about the Wind Symphony's up-coming performance in Carneige Hall in Feb. 2014. The estimated cost for renting the hall is about \$60,000.00. This does not include hotel, meal allowances, and travel expenses.

President Simon and her husband have donated \$5000.00 toward the trip. Kevin has asked the Alumni Board to consider donating toward the cause and also send out an email blast to the membership in hopes that alumni will donate to help off set the trip cost.

2. We have helped facilitate musicians at the Detroit Thanksgiving Parade, the Holiday Pep Bands, the West Michigan Winter Tailgate, the Sparty Ball in Chicago, Macomb Madness, and the Do-Dah Parade in Kalamazoo.
3. We have helped sponsor (\$250.00) the Tau Beta Sigma /VH1 Save the Music Foundation charity concert on April 18, 2013 at the RCAH Theater in Synder Hall. Gary Baron working on this.
4. ~~Jim Barry~~ is working with Beryl Falcone to acquire a picture for the Falcone Memorial.
5. I have contacted Kim Wren who helps maintain the MSU College of Music website. Our April concert is listed in the April concert events.

Once again, thank you to the MSU Alumni Board for serving the organization so tirelessly.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie Detgen, President

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Alumni Interest Group Guidelines

The MSU Alumni Association is the lifelong conduit between the University and our half-million alumni worldwide.

We exist to provide community, connections and ongoing career development for every Spartan everywhere, regardless of whether or not they are a dues-paying member of the Association.

The primary goal of our organization is to continue to add value throughout Spartan lives and encourage Spartans to continue to invest in Michigan State University.

The activities of the Association and our support for Alumni Interest Groups are based on what we call *The Four Pillars*:

- Enhancing the awareness and positive reputation of Michigan State University.
- Growing membership in the MSU Alumni Association and facilitating a deeper engagement between alumni and the University.
- Helping to encourage exceptional kids to apply for admission to MSU.
- Encouraging investment in MSU through the identification of potential donors.

While trying to minimize bureaucracy, we encourage alumni interest organizations to do the following:

- Communicate regularly with MSUAA so that we can promote your activities and share best practices.
- Seek our assistance, when you feel it's appropriate, to help your organization grow and flourish.
- Provide MSUAA with an annual update on a few key data points, including your leadership structure, leadership contact information, and the things you've done during the past calendar year (January through December).

From time to time, MSUAA may be able to provide resources to help you develop and implement activities that promote one or more of *The Four Pillars*. We encourage you to contact your MSUAA support team at any time we might be of assistance.

Thank you for carrying the flag for Michigan State University and helping us demonstrate that "Spartans Will" make the world a better place.

Scott Westerman
Executive Director
MSU Alumni Association

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Treasurer's Report January 28, 2013 – April 14, 2013

Revenue & Expenditures:

Beginning Checking Balance \$ 11,354.24

Revenue: 1/28/13 – Donation & Dues 1,139.00

Total Revenue \$ 1,139.00

Sub Total \$ 12,493.24

Expenditures:

#1189 Jim Barry Gifts	\$ 496.12
#1190 Tim Fox Administration	88.05
#1191 Kim Hopkins – Encore	419.40
#1192 Tau Beta Sigma – Donation	<u>250.00</u>
Total Expenditures	(\$ 1,253.57)
Total Ending Checking Balance	\$ 11,239.67

Current Bank Balances as of April 14, 2013:

Certificate of Deposit (0.20%) (September 2013)	\$ 6,025.73
<u>Checking Balance</u>	<u>\$ 11,239.67</u>
Total Cash Available	\$ 17,265.40

Respectfully Submitted, Greg Pell, Treasurer
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