

MSU Alumni Band Board Meeting
March 20, 2016
Kellogg Center, Olympus room

Meeting called to order at 2:03 pm

Members Present:

Greg Pell, President

Stacie Detgen, Past President

Jack Nelson, Special Events

Nancy Nelson, List Serve/Data Base

Susan Gould, Member at large

Tim Fox, Member Relations

Matt DuPrey, Member at Large

Jim Barry, Past President/Encore editor

Mike Scholes, VP

Bob Rice, Historian

1.) **Secretary's report**- Susan Gould for Betty Elliott. Minutes were Deferred until next meeting. We all wish Betty a speedy recovery

2.) **Treasurer's Report –Abby Zarimba**, approved as printed.

3.) **Past President's Report – Stacie Detgen** Verbal report presented. Positive talks with John Madden and Kevin Sedatole regarding Alumni Band trip in 2017. Details forthcoming.

4.) **Vice-President's Report Mike Scholes.** Facebook effort is underway to encourage donations to a scholarship fund for SMB Mellophones that was established in memory of Colin Kerr ('88-'90). Those interested in donating should contact John Madden directly. This scholarship is in house and does not count toward athletics. Code for the scholarship is AEO66.

5.) **President's Report – Jim Barry.** Encore is out – special tribute to Beryl Falcone. Next deadline is June 7. There was a lovely photo featuring our university president speaking at our fall reunion. Copies of the Encore should be sent to her, as well as athletics.

6.) **Special Projects – Jack Nelson.** Alumni Band performed at 11 winter events. Bands ranged in size from 30-90! Our best compliment? "I didn't realize that wasn't the regular student band!"

There was a 12 performances on the schedule but we were not able to perform at the GLI day #2 . We were not able to secure enough people for a band. Athletics missed us and contacted John Madden who was quick to explain the nature of the difficulty in securing alumni to perform during the business week. As a result, a new philosophy is now in place: Band when requested, regardless!

Pentwater gig is a go – August 13. More details to follow. Report accepted as presented.

7.) **List Serve Manager – Nancy Nelson.** Waiting to send the next email blast when Spring Alumni Band details are secured. Report accepted as presented

8.) **Member Relations Coordinator’s Report – Tim Fox.** Report accepted as printed and presented. Music for the spring reunion is not in yet, but we are working on it. Conductors will be John Madden, Dave Catron, Ken Bloomquist and Kevin Sedatole. Our concert will be combined with the Spartan Youth Wind Symphony. We perform first. Concert is May 1. Nancy will cover getting program and participant info to the College of Music and will print name tags. Stacie will handle breakfast.

9.) **President’s report- Greg Pell.** Fall reunion is set for Sept 20, the Big Ten Opener against Wisconsin. Concern was expressed about seating for the bands. At the typing of these minutes, seating has been secured: either in the stands behind the SMB or in folding chairs on the field as in years past. Not certain of which as this time.

Additional funds have come in to the SMB Jacket fund totaling \$2,500. Terrific news.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Ideas for our fall reunion music were discussed. Stacie will report them to John Madden for approval.

Next meeting date: Saturday, June 4 at 3:00pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:54 pm