

**MSU ALUMNI BAND**  
Alumni Band Executive Board Meeting Minutes  
Sunday, June 7, 2009

**REMINDER:** The next Board meeting will be Sunday, August 23, 2009

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by President Bill Sachs

**Present:** Dale Bartlett, Gary Baron, Jim Barry, Betty Elliott, John Madden, Jack Nelson, Greg Pell, Bob Rice, Bill Sachs

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

The Secretary's report was approved as corrected to show that the next meeting (today's) would be June 7, 2009.

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

- a. The regular report was approved as submitted
- b. The phone lines have been disconnected and a credit for the month of May should be forthcoming.
- c. Jack brought attention to some "category" change only in the 2008 summary report:
  - i. Check #1058 should be tables and linens and moved to the "band tent" category
  - ii. Check #1067 should be chair rental, banner repair and photo copies, and moved to the "parade" category
  - iii. It was moved, seconded and approved to make these changes.

4. **Vice President's Report – Jim Barry**

Jim reported that received a \$150 check from Terry Gartside from the sales of alumni merchandise last fall. Terry is set to do the Fall Reunion but would like a parking pass. It was moved, seconded and approved to keep Gartside as the vendor of alumni merchandise. Jim will remain the liaison. Bob will ask Brad to include a link will be included on the website.

5. **President's Report – Bill Sachs – see attached report at the end of these minutes.**

6. **Band Director's Report**

- a. John reported that Kevin is busy today with preparations for the conducting symposium. 50 participants and 40 observers from all over will be participating. This is very high profile among clinicians and our 3<sup>rd</sup> year hosting it.
- b. The Wind Symphony has been selected to perform in Austin at the CBDNA conference. John describes this as a wonderful "home run" concert to a full house. Kevin will do an article for the *Encore*.

- c. The Band Fan Club is expanding so that all three areas of College of Music/ Band donations will be a part of the Band Fan Club and will be a part of official donations to the Development Fund.
- d. The Spartan Youth Symphony will be doing shared concerts with the Wind Symphony this spring which could potentially be in conflict with the annual Alumni spring concert. Various alternatives will be brainstormed by John and Kevin. Bill will contact Kevin to formally share this group's feelings on the importance of keeping the concert (as opposed to skipping a year).

## 7. Member Relations Report – Tim Fox (not in attendance)

Bill reported that Tim said the spring reunion went very smoothly. He is all set with the phone number change and the address change.

## 8. Old Business

- a. Lifetime Memberships: The mechanics of this still need to be addressed but are tabled for the time being.
- b. Alumni Merchandise: Previously discussed in Vice- President's report
- c. Spring Reunion Concert Review: Gary reported that the pre-printed registration forms have been very beneficial. An added benefit is that the printed info is generating more correction updates being sent in, as well as a little bit of added revenue in the form of renewed membership dues.
- d. Requests for Alumni Band Performances: Jack reported that 20 members participated in the Annual MSU Alumni Association meeting at the Kellogg Center. There is nothing in writing as to how to handle these performance requests. Discussion led to deciding that if it's a request by an MSUAA member we'll try our best to accommodate. If it's a request by a private individual or group, a smaller group (i.e. trombone choir) will be suggested. All requests will be forwarded to Jack and handled on a case-by-case basis.
- e. Tour Band: Dale reported that due to the current economic conditions, the MSU Alumni Tour band has had to cancel its highly anticipated trip to Italy in June, 2010, as a performing band. Instead, the option to tour the already scheduled itinerary – as tourists only – has been established and is open to any who wish to join the 50+ trip veterans already committed. By not traveling as a band, the trip costs have been greatly reduced. If interested contact Lauralee Campbell at 517 332-4790 or [lcamp13@comcast.net](mailto:lcamp13@comcast.net).
- f. Alumni Band Phone and Address Change: See previous discussion.

## 9. New Business

- a. Fall Reunion: Bill will send the schedule to Kim for the *Encore*. It's already on the alumni band website. It's the same date as Homecoming Weekend, which means a performance in the annual Homecoming parade as well. There will be no pre-game dinner the night before, but instead will focus on the parade.

- b. All else: Bill has found a vendor that will place the '54, '56, and '66 Rose Bowl performances to DVD's. John suggested adding the '88 one as well. Production of these could bring in some added revenue at the fall reunion. He will get more info regarding costs and distribute via e-mail.

The next meeting of the board will be Sunday, August 23,, 2009.  
The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty Elliott, Secretary

# MSU Alumni Band

## Treasurer's Report

JMarch 1, 2009 – May 31, 2009

### Revenue & Expenditures

Total Beginning Check Balance \$7286.49

### Revenues:

Deposit 3-30-09 Dues	\$1860.00
Deposit 4-3-08 Dues	\$540.00
Deposit 4-3-09 Dues	\$60.00
Deposit 4-27-09 Dues	\$314.00

Total Deposits \$2774.00

Sub-total \$10,060.49

### Expenditures:

Check #1073 Donation wstrip	\$1500.00
Check #1076 Foresight Group – Encore	\$1551.36
Check #1077 Return Mail – T. Fox	\$42.67
Check #1078 Card stock – G. Baron	\$17.80
Check #1079 – Falcone Gift – T. Person	\$490.73
AT&T March	\$76.05
AT&T April	\$75.62
AT&T May	\$75.63
AT&T May	\$37.90

Total Expenditures (\$3,867.76)

Ending Checking Balance \$6,192.73

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Current Bank Balance as of May 31, 2009

Certificate of Deposit (as of May 29, 2009) (Interest rate 3.73%) (Interest YTD \$89.74)	\$5,861.93
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Checking Account	<u>\$6,192.73</u>
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Total Cash Available	\$12,054.66
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Respectfully Submitted, Greg Pell, Treasurer  
(Sunday, June 7, 2009)



**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**  
**MSU ALUMNI BAND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**  
**SUNDAY, June 7, 2009**

Articles for the next issue of the Encore are needed ASAP! Kim is working now to put the next issue in the hands of the printer in the next few weeks

The MSU Basketball Band did the University proud during the Final Four. I was able to attend the rally at Somerset Collection, the Friday open practice, the semi-final game on Saturday and the final game on Monday and the band, under the direction of John Madden (conductor and cowbell soloist) was outstanding. Hats off to all the students for their hard work.

The Spring reunion concert was a huge success! And the gift to Beryl from the Alumni Executive Board was very well received. Any individual board member wishing to contribute should do so immediately so that a check for reimbursement can be made to Terry Person, who made the selection.

Workers are needed for the fall reunion. We would like to involve more members in the process. From making sure coffee/refreshments show up on time, to getting parking passes, members could volunteer to do just one job. This would spread the work load and also involve more of the membership. Gary Baron has volunteered to be the go to person in East Lansing, much like Gerry was last year.

We also need to start involving others in the annual Golf Outing. Dale will again be in charge but would like to turn it over to a local member(s) in the future.

We should encourage all members to attend our events during the year and ask that they also bring another member who maybe hasn't attended one of our events in the past. No matter how many appeals we make or e-mails/newsletters we send, member to member is still the best way to get others involved in the activities of the association.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Sachs