

Minutes for Wilmette Community Band (virtual)11/5/2020

Call to Order

A band meeting of was held on 11/5/2020 on Zoom virtual format due to the Covid Pandemic.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included Sally Nador, Dave Fodor, Jeff Urban, Bob Taylor, Terry Fertig, Dennis Jasieniecki, Paul Isaacson, Jeff Ring

Guests in attendance included none.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Dennis Jasieniecki and seconded by Jeff Urban. Band minutes are recorded on the band board members webpage.

Officers' Reports

Bob Taylor reported that we have a minor discrepancy in the band name (erroneously containing the address of a previously sitting band board member) as it appears on the 990 form which is filed on a yearly basis with the IRS. The end of our fiscal year is Sept. 30. The state form has been filed for 2020 by Bob.

David suggested we create a calendar for sensitive forms that need attention every year. Bob Taylor has volunteered. it at a minimum would contain; Domestic Corp. Annual Report, Not For Profit Annual Report, 990N form, and any others we may have overlooked.

Terry Fertig reports that we need to recruit a replacement Treasurer to replace Jill who resigned her position. Terry also will record the recent donations and donors. This data will be shared with Jeff Urban the band President.

David also reported on the success of his creation, a virtual concert made from selections our group has performed in the past. His plea for donations due to the pandemic resulted in \$1766.90.

Another virtual "Holiday Concert" is in production and hopefully additional operating expense donations will be collected. Dave will add an Amazon Smile button on our performance presentation.

Terry noted that there are outstanding donations that are still being given to the band, this will be followed up.

Jeff Urban reported that due to our inability to rehearse due to state regulations on group size and the Pandemic he canceled our liability insurance policy. The premium increased from \$530.00 to \$750.00 covering dates November to October thru Liberty Mutual.

Jeff Ring volunteered to investigate competitive quotes for one million dollars of coverage.

David expressed concern that any small ensembles currently meeting to rehearse would not now have coverage. Jeff Urban added they are not performing under the auspice of the Wilmette Band.

David also suggested a yearly review for additional board positions be established and reviewed yearly. He will begin this effort by initiating a survey Monkey to assess band membership interest.

Jeff Ring volunteered to assume the position of Treasurer. Thank you Jeff!!! The meeting members unanimously seconded the motion advanced by Jeff Urban.

Jeff Urban Volunteered to go to the bank to adjust and update our band account prior to Mr Ring taking over the Treasurer position.

David started a discussion centered around resumption tactics as the pandemic and State of Illinois officials will allow. A target start date may be in the Spring to be reviewed on 3/5/2021. In the meantime a whole band Zoom meeting should be considered, chamber groups, reevaluation of full activities at three month intervals, consider buying special instrument PPE, and generally promoting continuous connections within our group. David will report.

Terry will try to nail down how many performers are willing to meet in small groups.

Jeff and David will continue to search for rehearsal/presentation venues.

Jeff Urban reported that the Wilmette American Legion is moving and that will affect some of our performance schedule.

Terry asked for feedback regarding dues during our pandemic hiatus. Jeff Urban said we should hold that off for now.

Paul noted the intros to the last virtual concert were very well received by friends who enjoyed our concert and that will be part of the next one according to Dave.

Dennis moved the meeting be adjourned and Terry seconded.

An addendum e-mail based meeting was held to determine compensation/bonus for David for his time, effort, skill and the production of a Holiday Concert presentation. It was held over two days 11/8 and 11/9. A \$500.00 bonus was decided, voted, and approved by email. yes votes Terry, Dennis, Jeff Urban, Robert Taylor, Jeff Ring, Sally, and Paul, all voted yes. Jeff Urban will write the check.

Dennis Jasieniecki

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Date of Approval