

**Sharon Bands Board Meeting**  
**Monday, April 3rd, 2017**

**Board Members Present:** Mark Freitas, Karen Hays, George Mellman, Julie Marotta, Al True, Tom Lucci, Cathy Hitchens, Matt Leftin

**Guests:** Ron & John

**Director:** Steve Bell

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**Previous Minutes:**

- March 2017 Minutes were approved
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**Members Forum:**

- John is making a donation of \$1,000 to be used at the board's discretion
    - Mark is working on finding a town to give a free summer concert to, so that we can get in to their summer schedule in the future
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**New Member Approval:**

- No new members were approved
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**Treasurer's Report:**

- Tom presented an update on the budget
  - Pretty close to break-even by budget projection
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**Business:**

- **Soundtracks Recap**
  - \$929 in Revenue
  - Amy and Cathy said they found being producer easier than expected
    - They will relay this information to the general membership
  - In the future, we should check in about conflicts with the community orchestra
- **Other Upcoming Concerts**
  - Fontbonne: Julie will give details on Thursday to members
  - Pops: Library will be in touch with Steve and Glenn
  - Summer schedule is on website
- **Rehearsals**
  - Need a location for May 18th - will check in with Vinnie about Brockton
- **Membership Dues**
  - Most dues have been collected
  - June only has info on the SCB members, Tom will look in to RSBB-only members

- **Hats**
  - Thursday is the last day to order them (\$15/hat)
  - If people choose to wear a hat, it must be this hat
  - About 50 people have ordered so far
  - Cathy will order an extra 10 for people who join the band and would like to purchase a hat
    - Cathy will also look in to re-order process
- **Stands**
  - Don't need to reorder yet
  - Consider starting to build the \$45 cost of stands into first year dues
    - Players can return stand and get deposit back when they leave the band
- **Next Year's Board**
  - There will be 3 openings due to expired terms
  - Step 1 is finding a nominating committee
  - Most board members were in favor of a future bylaw change to create the position of president-elect
- **Possible RSBB Concert**
  - Tom has been approached about an RSBB concert in Worcester
    - Will poll big band members on availability
    - May consider gas money due to distance

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**Director's Report:**

- Steve shared some concerns about individual players and sections, particularly as they related to the summer schedule
  - We could particularly use clarinets
  - Barry is only out for one RSBB concert, which will help with our budget for subs

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**Board Meeting Schedule:**

- Next Meeting is Monday, May 1st @ SMS (7:15)
  - June 5, July 3\*, August 7, September 4\*
    - \*July 3 & September 4 are subject to change due to holidays
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