

Sharon Bands Board Meeting
Monday, June 12, 2017

Board Members Present: Mark Freitas, Karen Hays, Al True, Cathy Hitchens, Laura Haiduck, George Mellman, Tom Lucci, Julie Marotta

Band Members: Jim Hinds

Director: Steve Bell

Previous Minutes:

- May minutes were approved

Members Forum:

- Jim Hinds on Trailer Issues
 - Board voted that trailer is for band use only
 - Jim and Al pointed out that we need a percussion player on hand during the summer to unload the trailer

New Member Approval:

- No new members were approved

Treasurer's Report:

- Money from Amazon Associates has come in (\$120)
- Amazon Smile is now Functional
- No bills from Sharon Middle School for this school year

Business:

- **Pops Concert Wrapup**
 - Need a venue going forward (Oakes Ames Hall not handicap accessible)
 - Ticket sales have been steadily declining
 - To continue with a pops concert, we need to find a venue and have grassroots support by a ticket committee of band members
- **Summer Concerts**
 - CHANGES
 - Norwood start is at 6pm (for both concerts)
 - Nantasket July 28 Concert cancelled (double booking)
 - Worcester RSBB Cancelled
 - Concert was funded by John Ross (\$1000), so we should look for a replacement
 - Steve is checking attendance projections to see if any replacement players are needed
- **Future Concerts**
 - Celtic and Broadway concerts generated the largest audiences in recent years,

and they both included outside groups

- Steve will contact Erik Brown from the South Shore Choral group to see if they are interested in a joint concert

- **Irene Scott Award Nomination Process**

- Nominations open in March, are voted in April, and awarded at the May Pops Concert
- Current Board Members are not eligible

- **Hats**

- Hats are being distributed

- **Black Folders**

- Tom will order 25 more black folders and 5 more stands

- **Small Percussion Box**

- Al True donated a blue box with handle and wheels for the percussion equipment

- **Next Year's Board**

- Art LeMan will join as a board member
- So far no one has expressed interest in the role of President

Director's Report:

- Rehearsal attendance continues to be a problem
- We are attracting new members, mostly via online postings

Board Meeting Schedule:

- Next Meeting is Monday, July 17th @ Mick Morgan's (7:15)
 - July 17, August 7, September TBD (Labor Day)
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Minutes Recorded by Karen Hays and Edited by Matt Leftin