

Sharon Bands

Board of Directors Meeting Monday, December 14, 2020

Participants present:

BOD Members: Matt Leftin, Derek Day, Charlie Piper, Angela Woodward, George Mellman, Tom Lucci, Bev Reilly, Kathy Brink and Glenn McGibbon

Music Director: Steve Bell

Start time: 7:02 PM

End Time: 8:01 PM

Personnel:

- The group discussed the limited attendance of our November Sharon Bands Meeting, and the importance of re-establishing, maintaining connection and confirming email address information. One solution is to establish an email chain initiated by current band section leaders.
- Emails to section personnel could confirm email addresses, establish willingness to rehearse and/or perform and ask if the member has any connections with regard to rehearsal space.
- Kathy will confirm these assignments (Need to confirm who will connect with clarinet/bass clarinet sections and trumpets):
 - Angela – Flutes
 - Glenn – Saxes
 - Matt – Low brass and trombones
 - Amy O. – Percussion
 - Tom - RSBB

Marketing:

- GM working on website elements – themes, widget and font selections
- Instagram initiation to wait until new website is closer to launch
- Next Virtual Band Concert on Dec 26 - GM to provide Zoom information for Steve to participate in an interview. Steve suggests submitting the “Swing Low” video.

Director’s Report / Board Discussion

- Steve suggests a timeline and plan for a ‘turnaround plan’; the possibility of a limited rehearsal schedule and/or summer performances.
- Performance spaces may look different and rely on an outdoor and or “pop-up”, informal format. Asks I we should consider parking lots/fields.
- Steve is contemplating a list of easy pieces so Librarian can gather selections.

Bookings/ Rehearsal Spaces:

- Matt reports that the Sharon Rec. Department is waiting until March to make any decisions about summer performances at the lake. We'd be invited in the summer of 2022 if they can't get us on their schedule for summer 2021. Group discussed the possibility of offering free SCB and/or RSBB concerts.
- Group discussed the upcoming RSBB opportunity slated for February. Due to worsening conditions with COVID cases in MA and very limited wind player participation, the board elected to take a pass.
- Rehearsal space possibilities: Ted Zimmerman – indicated he is a parishioner of a church that may accommodate; Tim Watrous – is our Victory Church contact.

Financial Report:

- Another 3 people paid for dues since the last meeting.
- Tom has paid insurance premiums
- CD update: matures Sept 21st, 2021

Action Steps:

- Kathy to confirm section leader coordination for “**email chains**”
- Angie to write and distribute **December Member newsletter** to cover Hindsight voting, Website, Steve's recovery from surgery
- Glenn to **send more results of 2020 Hindsight survey** to Steve Bell
- Glenn to officially sign up for Dec 26 **Virtual Band Concert** and coordinate with Steve
- Charlie to write **agenda for next board meeting**

Next Board Meeting:

- Slated for Monday, January 11 at 7:00 pm via Zoom