

Gorge Winds Board Meeting Minutes May 7, 2015

Call to order:

*By: Rick Cowart, President * Time: 5:47 * Location: The Dalles Middle School

Board Members Present:

- Rick Cowart, President
- Betsy Frazier, Treasurer & Past-President
- Sam Grotte, Music Director
- Melody Hudson, Member-at-large
- Larry Loop, Co-Conductor
- Barbara Thrasher, Vice President

Board Members Absent: Linda Oram Ed Price
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Band Member Present: Tamara Shannon
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Approval of minutes: Unanimous approval of amended minutes

Treasurer's Report:

- Betsy presented the Treasurer Report – some discussion over amount collected at Spring concert and sharing that with the Civic
- **Approval:** no motion to approve (will do so in June meeting)

Special Announcement:

Sam Grotte announced his resignation as music director and Co-Conductor of Gorge Winds Concert Band effective Dec. 2015 after the Christmas concert. Some discussion over why and the need for a selection committee this summer.

Old Business:

a. Spring Concert Review

1. Director's thoughts - Both directors praised the performance. Both were happy with extra advertising at the parade. It was brought out the audience felt the sound was muffled.

2. Board members thoughts – the cold affected the band's intonations problems. Many board members agree the auditorium is shabby and not suitable for our future performances. The aspect of its safety and no wheelchair access was brought up as well.

3. Later Concert times – discussion but no resolution to change times of GW concerts.

4. Different venue – after much discussion

- Motion: Barb moved that GWCB NOT use the Civic Theater until it is suitable, and GWCB will keep the option to use the ballroom for the Christmas concert ONLY if no other venue is found.
- Second: Melody seconded
- Approved: Motion approved with a vote of 4 yes, 1 no

5. Set date for Christmas program – some discussion, including having more

than one holiday program, but no date(s) resolved. Board will decide at the June board meeting.

c. Copier status – Sam

The copier owned by GWCB is no longer functional. Sam is investigating used equipment. The expense may be around \$1300. There was some discussion over the need for a copier. Board will need to give pre-approval for this expense.

d. Any other old business

1. July 4th concert has changed time from 1 pm to 3 pm.
2. Sam has repaired some music stands – \$60 is GWCB share of this cost.
3. There is a need for a current photo to use with our ads with Tualatin concert.
4. GWCB will be paying half of Wy'east fee of \$235 (\$117.50).
5. Sam will put the Goldendale Ice Cream Social in front of band members to see if there will be enough people to play the program on August 13th.

New Business:

a. Equipment Manager Proposal – Tamara Shannon – some discussion – decision delayed until June board meeting.

b. TVCB/GW June Concert

1. Advertising – Betsy is making a flyer
2. Venue – we are providing most of the percussion equipment
3. Equipment Logistics – see above
4. Rehearsal time – 1 pm rehearsal
5. Getting together afterwards – Tualatin has invited us to eat together after the concert.

c. Update on Fourth of July (see old business)

d. Update on Trout Lake – nothing has changed

e. Any other other New Business - none

Adjourned the meeting at 6:55