



The University of Michigan Band Alumni Association

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING **Wednesday, October 5 – 7:00 PM** Revelli Hall

1. **Call to Order @ 7:11pm.**
2. **Approve July 2011 Meeting Minutes:** Matt M moves to approve the minutes, Tex seconded, motion passed.
3. **Conductor's Forum:**
 - a. **Scott Borema** provided an update for the marching band. There is a great group of students again this year and they just completed 5-one-week shows.
 - i. It is with huge sorrow to announce that Patrick Fleming passed away last Monday. There was huge support from all over the nation. OSU and MSU students came to a rehearsal last week to show their support for our band. EMU drum major also came. There was an outpour of phone calls from multiple band programs showing their support. David Brandon wrote a wonderful article and also called the band hall. Brady Hoke called the band hall and then also went to visitation. The band is very grateful to have such support from the other bands.
 - ii. Homecoming is in about 3 weeks. Going to feature the Russian Tour band. It will be a packed few days that weekend.
4. **Action Items discussed**
5. **Treasurer's Report** (Peter Cubba): copies of the treasurer's report and proposed budget for FY2012 were distributed and walked through.
 - a. Reviewed Operating Statement:
 - i. There is a small Net Loss due to checks not all being deposited yet.
 - ii. Endowment check is written and in the mail of \$4,910 from the Golf Outing.
 - iii. We have not received any updated endowment statement to make any updates.
6. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Finance Committee** (Peter Cubba): No update at this time.
 - b. **Reunion Activities Committee** (Rich Alder & Matt Miller):
 - i. **Band-O-Rama** is oversold.
 - ii. **Cottage Inn:** We will be having a gathering at Cottage Inn the Friday prior to Band-O-Rama. Will be from 6:00p – 7:45p. There will be about 50 so far.
 1. Made reservation for 100 members. Susan will see what the maximum cutoff is and to see if there is a last minute maximum for Cottage Inn.
 2. It is a line item for members to send in with homecoming registration.
 - iii. **Homecoming.** Homecoming agenda is set for homecoming and in M-Fanfare. There are about 117 members registered for homecoming so far.
 1. **Prep Night:** Wed October 26th will be the Homecoming prep day. Please mark your calendars and plan to come and help stuff folders for the big day.
 2. **All instruments:** Jim Mueller will be taking inventory prior to homecoming so it goes smoothly. Susan will follow-up with a thank-you card.
 3. Eric Becker will be in town that weekend.
 - c. **Member Activities Committee** (Michael Lee):
 - i. **Golf Outing Update** (Matt Miller/Michael Lee):
 1. Another successful Golf outing was held Aug 7th.
 2. Thanks to Tex and Pete D for all of your help. Everyone really liked the shotgun start.



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3. We made over \$4,900 this session. There were some good silent auction items this year that helped raise funds.
 4. The food did not get good reviews and we will be doing something different for next year.
- d. **Communications Committee** (Matt Miller):
- i. **Membership Update** (Gary Straffon): Nothing at this time.
 - ii. **Web Site Update** (Linda Ridley): Distributed a Website Report.
 1. Went live Aug 4th
 2. The website has been very responsive with any changes we needed to make as we have been needed.
 3. Linda has been getting a lot of e-mails for help from the website.
 4. There are about 4751 members with 289 users. 159 have paid their dues, 137 signed up for homecoming and 52 registered for Concert Band.
 5. Thanks to Linda for all of her time and efforts.
 6. Thanks to Gary for all of his help and time.
 7. Linda needs more articles and would like to create a frequently asked questions section.
 - a. Ideas: why should I pay dues, information about the endowment, ...
 8. Salo made a suggestion to be able to search by maiden name, first year in band and instrument.
 9. There was a brief discussion on possibly creating a pep-band registration.
 - iii. **M Fanfare** (Matt/Gail): no update at this time.
 - iv. **M Notes** (Dennis Gmerek): Submit notes to Dennis by the 25th of each of month. Now using a new list-serve for e-mails.
 - v. **Google Doc update** (Michael Lee): Sheri will send the information to the google docs for members to post documents to.
- e. **Governance Committee** (Matt Pickus): Nothing to report
- f. **Ensembles Committee** (Pete Larson):
- i. **UMBAA Concert Band** (Sheri Moore):
 1. Fall Concert Band has started. Langston is the conductor this session.
 2. There was a planning meeting with about 17 members. Decided to roll in conductor fee and plan for increase in theater expense into membership fee. Membership fee is now \$30 a session. If there are enough members we will lower the fee.
 3. The concert will be November 13th. We will be playing the same day as the Campus Band and there will be a reception afterwards.
 4. We are very excited to have Jerry Bilik guest conduct us this session.
 5. Jerry has graciously waived his honorarium. Discussed charges for Jerry Bilik of \$1000.
 6. Matt P moved to allocate no more than \$1000 to pay for Jerry Bilik's expenses to conduct the Concert Band reduced by whatever concert band is able to raise. Second by Scott K, motion passed.
 7. We have purchased 2 pieces, including one of Scott's pieces that we will be donating to the School of Music.
 - ii. **Alumni Pep Band** (Pete Dalton): Pep band is starting its 20th season this year. Maggie is currently arranging the schedule for events to play for. An e-mail will be sent tomorrow.
 1. Rehearsals will be 10/25 at Revelli Hall.
 2. There will be new uniform shirts this season.



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3. There has been a new inquiry to play for an event 1 week from Sunday. Pete D will investigate opportunity further.
- g. **Fundraising Committee** (Mike Kardasz): Nothing to report at this time.
7. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Commemorative DVD 40th Anniversary of women in the MMB** (Susan Sutherland): Susan is trying to get more pictures for the DVD.
 - b. **Committee Tasks** (Susan Sutherland): Discussed putting together a checklist/project plan for each of the projects we are working on and budget.
 - i. Please post to google documents to store and share documents by January.
 - c. **Revelli Percussion Project** (Salo Korn):
 - i. The need has grown past just percussion equipment and would like to apply for all loaner equipment.
 - ii. There was a discussion about adding a letter to members that barrow instruments to make a donation to support upkeep of instruments.
 - iii. There was a discussion to make an announcement at the general meeting and have a place to collect money.
 - iv. There was a discussion about adding a rental fee for barrowed instruments.
 - v. Salo passed out a list and will prioritize the list.
 - vi. It was decided that we will put together a fundraising campaign for Revelli Concert Band equipment.
 - vii. Salo will write an article announcing fundraising campaign for Revelli Concert Band equipment.
8. **New Business:**
 - a. **Chicago UMBAA Concert Band** (Gary Straffon): There are about 400 alumni in the area that would like to start an alumni concert band in that area.
 - i. Gary moves to set aside \$500 of seed money for a UMBAA Concert Band in Chicago, Linda second, there was a brief clarification that it would be a UMBAA member band; motion passed.
 - b. **Maggie's 25th with the MMB** (Gary Straffon): Discussed ideas of what we may want to do for Maggie. Matt will ask Jostens about a pendent. Susan and Matt will coordinate a gift.
 - c. **Rodney Dorsey** (Pete Larson): Pete L moved to give Rodney an honorary membership at Band-O-Rama, Jim second, motion passed.
 - d. **Nominations Update** (Kristen Acton):
 - i. Kristen presented the slate: Rich Alder, Pete Dalton, Jim Kozich, Roseanne Dolega and Jim Roach.
 - ii. Kristen moved to approve the slate, Matt P second, motion passed.
9. **Upcoming Concert Dates and Events:**

a. Concert Band	October 10
b. Symphony Band	October 21
c. Symphony chamber	November 2
d. Band-o-rama	October 28
e. UMBAA Concert	November 13
10. **Future Meeting Dates:**

a. October 29, 2011	General Membership/ Homecoming
b. November 16, 2011	Officer Election
11. For the **good of the Association:**
 - a. We regretfully announce that Patrick Fleming passed away last Monday.
 - b. There was a discussion about alumni clothing. Susan will contact the student cart.
12. **Tex moved to Adjourn**, Kristen second, motion passed @ 9:02pm.