

**CITRUS SYMPHONIC CONCERT ASSOCIATION**

**D/B/A/ - NATURE COAST COMMUNITY BAND**

**BOARD MEETING BY ZOOM**

**FEBRUARY 25, 2021 AT 7:30 PM**

**ATTENDEES BY ZOOM:** Paul Furman, Jenny Gill, Pat Johnson, Nancy Furman, J Craig Lilly, Kim Brooks, Susan Mahoney, Ty Ramsey, Al Sergel, Shelley Niehaus.

**ABSENT:** Marty Brown, Lydia Fontana, Judy Williams.

NCCB Board Meeting by Zoom called to order at 7:40 pm by President Paul Furman.

**QUORUM:** Shelley Niehaus stated that a quorum was met.

Paul Furman welcomes the new Board Members – Jenny Gill – Vice President – Al Sergel and Ty Ramsey – Members at Large.

**MINUTES:** Paul Furman stated on the January 28 Minutes Nancy Furman was checking on royalties if the Cornerstone Baptist Church recorded and we could Live Stream the concert. Nancy Furman stated that we pay all our royalties to the ACB. Paul Furman said that ACB makes the decision about the royalties and live stream. Al Sergel said that be careful about ACB because of the virtual concepts are changing. J Craig Lilly stated that he thought that Cindy Hazzard made a statement that there is blanket coverage for this particular situation.

Nancy Furman handles all ACB and she will make the calls and verify.

Shelley Niehaus made the Motion that Nancy Furman is the only contact and will handle all of ACB. Pat Johnson seconded. All approved.

Susan Mahoney made the motion to accept the minutes of the January 28, 2021 Board Meeting. Kim Brooks seconded. All approved.

Paul Furman stated on the February 11, 2021 Minutes to add Security by Jim Enoch and ACB – Nancy Furman.

J Craig Lilly asked how do we contact members if the practice needs to be cancelled or there is an emergency and mall is closed. Shelley Niehaus stated that all section leaders will be called, and it is their responsibility to call their section to let the members know. Nancy Furman will also send out an email to the members. Nancy Furman will also notify Tiffani the website manager to post a message on the website.

Nancy Furman will also send Tiffani the website manager the band schedule update with May concert information.

Shelley Niehaus made the Motion to approve the February 11, 2021 Minutes. Pat Johnson seconded. All approved.

### **FINANCIALS:**

Pat Johnson stated that the January 2020 cash balance was \$34,931 and our December 2020 ending balance was \$18,239. Normally, we receive between \$16,000 and \$25,000. This past year, 2020, we only received \$9,958. We received \$100 in December and that is marked for scholarships. The Budget as far as expenses are concerned was on target. But our donations received were \$7,202 below budget.

We currently have \$4,664 for operating cash. For the March concert we have spent approximately \$1,000 for programs, flyers, Cornerstone Baptist donations and our volunteers.

We have a balance of \$10,152 in our grant funds from Citrus Memorial Hospital that can only be used for instruments, strategic planning, conductor successor and scholarships.

Pat Johnson stated that we need to conserve our spending.

Pat Johnson will order all music so that the invoices can be checked, and the music cataloged.

J Craig Lilly purchased a Pop gun instrument, and the funds will come out of the grant money.

Nancy Furman sent out over 958 email contacts about the upcoming concerts and has received back several comments about they will be there.

Currently, J Craig Lilly has a spending maximum of \$100. This will be reassessed later in the year once we see how we are doing with our cash restrictions.

Pat Johnson is working on the budget. If anyone is in need of paper for the band there is quite a bit in the storage unit. Let Nancy Furman know if you need some.

Susan Mahoney asked if we are still having no food for the band. Shelley Niehaus stated that we have not had food for the band since the end of the concert season 2019.

Pat Johnson asked if we are still going to give David Morgan and Doreen Morgan \$50.00 each for each concert. The board approved these amounts.

Paul Furman stated that Georgia Harris sold the bowling alley and the trailers for the percussion and the riser trailers are still going to be able to be stored at the bowling alley.

Nancy Furman is going to meet with Cornerstone Baptist Church concerning the risers and setting up details for the concert.

Pat Johnson is going to meet with J Craig Lilly at Verizon and change the phone over to an NCCB Band account. This might entail paying off the current phone of approximately \$400.00.

Paul Furman made the motion to accept all the financial details. Shelley Niehaus seconded. All Approve.

**ELECTION REPORT:** Shelley Niehaus gave the election report. There were 41 ballots cast for President. Paul Furman received 24 ballots. Jenny Gill received 12 votes. Ty Ramsey received 3 votes. Al Sergel received 2 votes. Paul Furman is the elected President. Jenny Gill is now Vice President. Ty

Ramsey and Al Sergel will be members at large. The next election will be in May 2022.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**BY-LAWS:** Paul Furman stated that the Board of Directors consist of 4 Officers, Conductor/Director, 6 At Large Members. Kim Brooks and Judy Williams completed the 6 at Large Members. Adding on Ty Ramsey and Al Sergel will change the At Large Members to 8. Pat Johnson will update the Bylaws and will send to the Board and then they will be posted up on the website.

Nancy Furman made the Motion to accept the new Members At Large and to change the Bylaws. Shelley Niehaus seconded. All approved.

**CRYSTAL RIVER MALL:** Paul Furman spoke with Milly Breshan at the Crystal River Mall about the concert on March 6. We will set up and play the concert at 3 pm but there is another band to follow at 4 pm. We do not have to move the chairs.

Paul Furman stated that we can do concerts at Citrus Springs Community Center. Pat Johnson asked if we have to pay Citrus Springs Community Center more money. Nancy Furman stated we have paid for May and July. We should be getting \$300.00 back for the March concert.

Al Sergel stated that we are going to be in for a big surprise when we play out there in the mall.

Nancy Furman stated that we can do occasional dress rehearsal concert at the mall. We can advertise it on the website and on the posters.

**PROMOTION TRINKETS:** Shelley Niehaus stated that there is a lot of trinkets that Cindy Hazzard had purchased with the NCCB logo/name on them. Shelley Niehaus suggested that in the May concert we sell these at a discount so that we can get rid of the trinkets. Pat Johnson is going to figure out how much we need out of these trinkets so that all trinkets are paid for.

Paul Furman made the Motion to approve the selling of the trinkets. Pat Johnson seconded the Motion. All approved.

Nancy Furman is going to bring the box of NCCB water bottles to practice so that all members can be sure they have a water bottle. Jenny Gill stated that the bottles sweat and are hard to drink out of and maybe some day we could look at something different. Shelley Niehaus agrees with Jenny Gill.

**CONCERT HISTORY:** J Craig Lilly stated that he has made a sheet of all the concert music that has been played since the beginning of the band. J Craig Lilly stated that each program and cd should be placed in a notebook so that the band can maintain the history. Pat Johnson showed her notebook. Shelley Niehaus said that Nancy Furman and herself were going to put each concert in a folder for the year in the lateral pull out filing cabinets in the storage unit. Kim Brooks asked if the history could be inserted on the website.

**BOARD MEETING:** Paul Furman stated would we like to change to live meetings and we could meet at the mall rehearsal site. Discussion was held and decision was made to continue with Zoom meetings.

**CONDUCTOR NOTES:** J Craig Lilly stated that the rehearsals were going good and the music was coming along. The call time for the concert will be 1:30 pm.

Nancy Furman asked is there a cutoff for how many rehearsals that you need to attend to play at a concert. J Craig Lilly stated that is a tough can of worms. J Craig Lilly stated that the section leaders can decide if the players should play in the concert. Pat Johnson stated that the trumpets are out of tune. Nancy Furman stated that this is our first concert, and we want to make a good concert so that we can build back up our followers. J Craig Lilly stated that the high school students come on the recommendation from the band directors at the high school. Pat Johnson stated that this has always been an issue of staying in tune and coming to practices. J Craig Lilly stated that he walks around and listen to band. It should be the section leaders' job to make sure the section is in tune and able to play the music. J Craig Lilly will reinforce the tuning of the band with the section leaders.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING BY ZOOM WILL BE MARCH 25, 2021 AT 7:30 PM.**

Shelley Niehaus will send ZOOM information.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:20 PM**

Respectfully submitted by:

Shelley Niehaus

NCCB Secretary

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