

**Community Band of Brevard**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting**  
March 18, 2017

**Attendees**

Marion Scott, Conductor  
Terri Poppell, Secretary

David Scarborough, Chairman  
Mike Freeman, Publicity

Marianne Rigolini, Asst. Librarian

The meeting was held at Cozy Corner Cafe on Merritt Island.

**Old Business**

1. The Board reviewed and accepted the January 21, 2017 meeting minutes.
2. Terri has submitted our playlists for 2016 concerts to the Association of Concert Bands to satisfy the yearly requirement of our ASCAP/BMI blanket license.
3. Certificate of Appreciation for our graduating high school members: Margie completed the certificate template. Board decided that the students will be given their certificates just before we begin the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the concert.

**Schedule**

1. **March 26, 2017 Concert – “Director’s Choice”**
  - a. Dave will call Don Hendrick to find out if he needs a ride to the concert. We will have someone assist him to his seat if necessary.
  - b. No outstanding issues at this time.
2. **June 11 Concert -- “Crowd Pleasers”**

Marion has already selected the music and will give the list to Cheree and Marianne. He has chosen 4 marches, 2 overtures, a Dixieland piece, and a couple of big band pieces.
3. **Swing Ensemble**
  - a. The ensemble played a dance on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Methodist Church in Merritt Island.
  - b. Marion will reactivate the ensemble if and when he can find a rhythm section that he can depend on.

**Director’s Report**

Marion was wondering whether moving our rehearsals to Monday nights would alleviate some of the attendance conflicts with rehearsal/concert dates of other music groups in the county. Board agreed to take a survey of the membership (see New Business).

**Business**

1. Connie submitted our SubBiz renewal for the year.
2. Balance as of 3/18/2017 was \$23,403.99.

**Publicity**

1. Aaron Collins contacted Mike regarding planning for another Brevard benefit concert featuring all the county’s musical groups a la the Mary Seal benefit concert. Tentative thinking was maybe to do something around Veteran’s Day with proceeds benefitting veterans’ organizations. Marion stated that for such an event, all groups should have equal playing time. Mike will convey CBOB’s interest to Aaron.
2. Joyce has been submitting publicity for the concert, including some blurbs going out on the public radio stations.

## Personnel Manager

1. The next Southwest Airlines ticket raffle drawing will be at dress rehearsal on March 25<sup>th</sup>.
2. 68 members are playing the March concert.

## Librarian

1. Cheree Coleman and Marianne Rigolini have begun helping Paige with the library.
2. Marianne/Cheree suggest **always** keeping the archive copies in the storage unit and use a set of “master copies” at the rehearsal location to use for making on-the-spot copies when needed. They would also recommend ending the practice of making on-the-spot copies during rehearsal if the player who is missing a part is able to share/look off of his/her neighbor’s stand. Then, have a copy of the missing part ready for that player at the next rehearsal.

## New Business

1. **Membership Survey**—Poll the membership about changing rehearsal night to Mondays. Terri will make a membership polling list to pass around at the March 22<sup>nd</sup> rehearsal.
2. **Donation from CBOB to Edgewood Jr/Sr HS Band**—Board considered a suggestion that, since we use Edgewood’s percussion equipment weekly, we should make a goodwill donation of \$300-\$500 to Edgewood Band every couple of years. Our last goodwill donation to them was a couple of years ago, and it helped send a couple of Ms. Russell’s students to summer music camp. The Board discussed and agreed to make a \$500 donation to Edgewood.
3. The Board set tentative concert dates for next season: 9/10/17, 12/3/17, 3/25/18, 6/10/18.
4. **Should we start having sectional rehearsals again?** If we have them at a separate day/time at Edgewood, we would have to pay extra rent money. The Board discussed taking one rehearsal at which we split the band into brass and woodwinds for the entire two hour rehearsal. Have Marion spend one hour with each group and a section leader or other qualified person run the group that Marion wasn’t working with at that time.
5. **Seeking grants**—Board discussed feasibility of applying for grant money, etc. The problem for CBOB is that grants are usually for new or specific purposes, whereas most of our funding needs are simply for recurring costs such as rent, insurance, etc.

**Next Meeting:** May 13, 2017 at Cozy Corner in Merritt Island. Eat at 9:00 am and meeting will start at 9:30.