

St. Cloud Municipal Band Board Meeting Minutes

Date: April 21, 2022, 7:00 pm

Meeting Location: Zoom

**Board Members present:** Mike Knaak, Lucy Amundson, John Creasy, Katie Johnson, Vicki Johnson, Tammy Krogstad, Patric Lewandowski

**Others present:** Andy Nelson, Lowell Larson, Joe Fox

1. Call to order by Mike Knaak 7:00 pm
2. Approval of March 28, 2022 minutes: Motion to approve by Patric, motion carries.
3. Summer rehearsals, performance schedule, folder management: Joe/Andy  
Changes in summer schedule: Andy to sit down with Lowell to work out conductor coverage. Catherine may be available to cover the rehearsals that Andy and Lowell are unavailable.  
July 4 – they are ready for us to play. May be on the upper level, but we are a go.  
Memorial Day – they are aware we are coming.  
Barden Park – performances start 14<sup>th</sup> July – SCMB. July 21 -Meier Grove, July 28 - SCMB. Aug 4 – Rock City Jazz, Aug 11 and 18 - SCMB).  
Showmobile – Joe is going to file paperwork to reserve for Memorial Day, July 4, and Barden Park. We can make changes as needed.  
Summer music and folders – what do we need to coordinate with Bernice? Per Lowell, Bernice will lead us on this.  
Katie – Google Poll for musician availability? Mike will set this up, and Joe will get out to band.  
We may be able to use chairs from SCSU for barden park concert without showmobile. Will reserve showmobile for now, but will check with band about preference for showmobile or no showmobile for barden park concerts.
4. Budget update: John – quiet budget in the last month.  
News from city? Per Mike: Matt and Dave haven't responded to Mike's emails. We will give them a few more days and if no response, attempt contact another way.
5. Promise Neighborhood performance: Vicki – John Smith runs Promise Neighborhood, program targets low-income kids around Talahi area with tutoring, afterschool programs, 2-7 grade. Summer activities too. They do grill-outs, etc. Would they be interested in an ensemble at an event? They are interested. Patric suggests full band, rather than ensemble. We could choose kid-friendly music – 30 minutes. This fits in with our diversity goals. South-side group another option. We can look at weeks that we're not at Barden Park – July or August. Vicki to work with Promise Neighborhood and get back to us.
6. MMEA Performance: Andy. Feb 16-18: Thursday/Friday performances during the day. We would need to apply, and be accepted. Held at Minneapolis Convention Center. Application deadline is June 15. We have to submit recordings. Two issues – daytime, and we'd need bus. Board members to bring up with section leaders to see if we'd be interested in this.  
  
Andy to reach out to other area band directors for concert sharing opportunities. One a year?
7. Unite 4 Music: Katie – Website for student and adult musicians for the St Cloud area. We'd like to add the SCMB as well. Site linking student and adult musicians to different bands, supporting venues, etc.
8. New non-members that have been playing – do we add them? We need to determine what we're going to do about musicians that aren't coming back due to vaccine mandate and/or testing requirement. 4-5 members in this boat.

Lowell and Andy need to discuss desired instrumentation and determine preferred numbers. -- Table further discussion on long-term vaccination/testing policy until next meeting.

9. Time to update and evaluate committees? Katie has and will send out list for discussion at next meeting.
10. Board member emails: Mike – specific emails such as [treasurer@stcloudmunicipalband.org](mailto:treasurer@stcloudmunicipalband.org). Business manager, librarian, conductor, treasurer, secretary, president, vice-president. Plan is to ask Andy as well. Currently, we have info..... These go to Joe. Not all need to be posted on the website.  
Digital storage space – google account for band is: 100 Gigs storage space free account. Mike has credentials and will share with group. Lucy to scan and save docs to drive.
11. Video distribution: Mike and Joe St Bens thanked us for the video. Caution for now regarding putting on Facebook and Youtube.
12. Meeting times and place discussion. Zoom works, but has issues. There are issues with scheduling in-person meetings. 6:00 in person before band, may need to split to end of band if things run long.

**Next meeting: Monday May 23, 6 pm, tech. (No rehearsal May 16).**

**Motion to adjourn by Vicki. Motion passes.**

**Minutes submitted by Lucy Amundson – May 22, 2022.**