

**Ypsilanti Community Band
Board Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2008**

Board Present	Board Absent
Beth Askew	Carter Adler
Monica Chu	Alan Aldworth
Matt Miller	Meagan Bush
Jerry Robbins	Rebecca Cheskidov
Nathan Sparks	John Reves
Aaron Taratsas	Eric Walters
Tom Warner	Sandy Wagner
Paul Vaughn	Jim Wagner

Agenda Item	Discussion/Decision
Vote to approve December 2007 Meeting Minutes	<u>motion to approve, unanimous approval (6 votes)</u>
Treasurer reports	Nathan reports: expenses to date have been \$9124.89. Total revenue is \$19002.71. Net total for YCB is \$17669.71. Actual bank account has \$8826. Paul asks what the working capital is. Nathan will go through and work this out (i.e. what funds are left for general spending/what funds are not earmarked for specific purchases). Paul asked if anything needs to be done for IRS taxes. Jerry reports that we just need to report an audit. The President (Meagan) will need to call an audit meeting at some point.
Officer reports	a. President - absent b. secretary - skipped
Staff reports	Jerry created a progress report on the one year plan. Many items have been accomplished. Some items still need action. Planning for future concerts is moving along. will have a guest conductor for April 24 th concert (student from EMU). concert scheduled in Clarkston in May. Will play same music as played on Memorial Day. Summer concert dates need to be confirmed (action item for Paul). Future concerts will not be themed, focus will lie with performing recent acquisitions that YCB hasn't been able to play yet. 2) Business manager report: Paul: memorial day concert at Yankee Airforce is a go. May 26 th . Specifics are still to worked out. Will work more on advertising and recognition for this event as a recruitment tool. Livingston Concert Band; March 2 nd invitation at 3pm in Brighton Performing Arts Center. Joint concert (we play half, they play half

	<p>and possible joint piece). We can use their percussion equipment. They charge admission. Does YCB want a cut? Board needs to decide if we want a donation/cost share. Our expenses will be minimal for this event. Do we accept the invitation? Dexter-AA run has invited us back: rough poll at Tuesday rehearsal indicated we will have enough musicians. Ensemble concert/April concert: have the facilities been reserved? Paul wants to make sure the person responsible has taken care of this. Jerry will look in his records to confirm the April concert date. Jerry reports that nothing has been booked for a July concert.</p> <p>Paul sent an email to committee chairs. He does want a response back.</p>
<p>Committee reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. fund raising: Eric absent so Jerry reports that the committee met recently. The committee has decided to put out a mass mailing in January advertising YCB events and plan to make a big push for the Ken Bowman fund. Lincoln High School grads/students will be targeted for donations. b. library: do we need to hire help? cost? who? id equipment needs. Library committee met on 10Jan08. Discussed scheme for backuping current library and scheme for processing new acquisitions. Committee will also inventory the library holdings sometime in the next few months. Committee will also need to ID any equipment needs for the property committee. c. personnel: Matt reports successful Tuesday rehearsal – 12 new members. 46 paid members. many members made a donation. Trudy Adler has agreed to work on the committee and help with recruiting. Sara Kuntz has volunteered to work with Paul on the carpool. Website was a factor in recruiting a portion of the new members. Individual contact. d. property: scanner has been purchased (donated by Tom Warner). Music stand rack has been purchased and assembled. New head for bass drum is purchased and installed. Aaron is concerned about Uhaul expense. At this point, we are over budget. Aaron is researching best cost options in the area. No recruitment for the committee from Tuesday's rehearsal. Aaron requests equipment/property needs from the other committees so he can report that to the budget. Committee did an inventory of the equipment. Property tags have been donated and will be installed soon. The inventory list needs to be compared to the insurance and a copy given to WLHS for their records e. publicity: Carter absent so Jerry reports that Carter

	<p>and committee are working on publicizing YCB. Carter is using somewhat alternative medium to PR the band. The committee had a meeting in December.</p>
<p>Old business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> f. Dexter-AA run: June 1st, all approve: 6 votes g. Pease auditorium authorize cost: A YCC member volunteered to find out cost of Pease: there is a flat fee and overall it will be \$2500. Jerry asks for board's permission to speak with EMU administrators to request a reduced cost. YCC might share in the expenses. board authorizes Jerry to begin negotiations with EMU. 6 votes approve. YCB will keep Dec2008 reservation with WCC in the meantime. h. check for blue lake: Nathan will give Paul a check for this. i. make Feb 28 into fundraiser: postponed because Eric is absent. board is asked to come up with ideas to raise money for the Ken Bowman fund j. band shell: Jerry told the Depot Town association that we have an interest in a band shell in Ypsi. Ypsi paper had a drawing of the plans for the park. Jerry asks that someone or some committee follow up with this and run with it. First step: see drawings from the landscape architect and evaluate for our needs. Second step: wish list and pay. YCB may need to raise funds for this project. Tom, Aaron, Eric have been identified to spearhead this effort. Jerry will pass on relevant info k. acquisition/repair instruments/equipment; 2008-09 budget needs: equipment needs to be ID'd for next year's budget: music stands: Paul is in negotiations with a vendor that might sponsor or give a special discount for a rack of stands. l. library scheme: same as above needs to be done m. web site follow up: new site is up. some additions need to be made. Looking for suggestions on what else needs to be added. board should think about this a report wants/needs to the website team n. how to help with player recruitment: Matt will get a committee meeting to decide how board might help with recruitment. Do need someone for social event planning. Jenn Lowenberg and Sara K. might be able to do this. Jerry says we need more clarinets, percussion, trumpets. Jerry suggested to Matt to contact anyone who expressed interest in the committee in the past and ask them to be on the personnel committee and then get meeting together to ID recruitment needs. o. rolling band calendar: Meagan will get this set up p. Livingston concert: board elects to turn down the invitation for a March 2nd concert with Livingston

	<p>concert band (6 votes, unanimous) due to timing of schedule (YCB has Red Cedar, rehearsal and concert all within a week of March 2nd). YCB will offer a counter proposal to perform in early fall 2008. Paul will continue to work with them to find a date.</p> <p>q. Ypsi area C of C: YCB gets little to no return for the dues we pay to be a member of the C of C. Jerry suggests that Megan invite the C of C executive to our board meeting and brainstorm with her on how we can utilize C of C.</p> <p>r. Ypsi Jaycee's: have contact Jerry/YCB and asked if we have a project for them. Jerry will follow up.</p>
<p>New business</p>	<p>a.truck/trailer: 5 yr plan states that board will talk next year about purchasing truck/trailer. Fundraising and property committees can start research now. Aaron says we need a 10x17 truck/trailer. Paul is researching/negotiating a trailer to be sponsored by a local business. Cost effectiveness questions were brought up. Owning trailer would be a big advantage for personal time and financial reasons. Paul will continue to look into the sponsored trailer (which right now would be small in size; need to find a larger one).</p> <p>b.role of section leaders: Paul wants to get them more involved. Paul will convene a meeting with them in the next 2 weeks.</p> <p>c.dress code for summer: tabled</p> <p>d.new recording: tabled</p> <p>e.next social event: tabled</p>

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