

Minnesota Valley Community Band

Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, October 27, 2025

Chanhassen, MN

In attendance:

President – Linda Aaberg

Director at large – Ann Decker

Director at large – Lucy Davis

Secretary – Marcia Michalik

Guests – None

Absent:

Treasurer – Ishpreet Singh Kohli

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of last meeting minutes
- III. Topics raised by attendees (15 minutes)
- IV. Treasurer's Report -submitted in advance for approval
- V. Fundraising Committee Report – Ann
- VI. Promotion Committee Report – Lucy
- VII. New Business
 - a. Confirm Concerts dates – Linda
 - b. Begin discussing 2026 dates and locations
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Website - Lucy
- IX. Director Topics
- X. Closed door discussions
 - a. Directors' reviews – 5:00 Nick
 - b. Director's reviews – 5:20 Sam
- XI. Adjourn

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- I. The meeting was called to order by President Linda at 4:00pm
 - II. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the July meeting as submitted.

M – Marcia

S – Ann

Motion passed

- III. Topics raised by attendees – None

IV. Treasurer's Report

- a. Ishpreet had distributed several financial documents prior to the meeting. There were no questions on these. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

M – Ann

S – Lucy

Motion passed

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Motion passed

V. Fundraising – Ann

- a. Committee members will be visiting Dangerfields to ask them to re-up on their contribution from last year
- b. We discussed whether people were aware that they could make the band the recipient of required 401(k) distributions. Linda noted that several people were doing this. We agreed to mention it at the Annual Meeting.*

- c. Ann gets a "Grant Watch" email; the majority of the grants require some kind of direct impact on a group, which would be a tough sell for a band request. But she does monitor what is available.
- d. Not actually a fundraising topic, but Marcia asked whether there would be funds available within the band budget to purchase lightweight risers. The current risers are very heavy, it is hard to get guys to volunteer to move them, and we are concerned about injury. *Marcia volunteered to look into the cost.*

VI. Promotions – Lucy – Nothing at this time

VII. New Business

- a. 2025 Concert dates have been communicated with the band during rehearsal and sent out via calendar
- b. We did not discuss specifics about dates for 2026, but we have had a request to consider performing at Friendship Village in Bloomington. We agreed that we would consider that, perhaps end of June. Nick shared the results of the summer survey that indicated that the majority of members would like the summer series to end mid-July. The survey also indicated that we should consider some variations in programs during the summer
- c. Not on the original agenda – there was discussion about how to handle members who do not attend for some period of time. It would be advantageous if the directors knew in advance when people were not planning to attend so that subs could be pulled in as needed. *We agreed that we need to define a process, perhaps identify a Membership Chair who would be responsible for this. I will add this to the next meeting agenda.*

VIII. Old Business

- a. Website – Lucy provided an update on the plan to move to a new website:
 - i) This has been delayed for a long time but the plan is to have the new site in place before we have to renew the old site in late March.
 - ii) Larry has indicated that he is open to working with whomever would be doing the actual work.
 - iii) Lucy indicated that she has been in contact with a tech firm called Sidewalk Tech Consulting LLC, and they are interested in building our new site pro bono, as long as we note them on the site. Lucy had an initial Statement of Work from them. *We agreed to review it and address it in the next Board meeting.*

IX. Closed door discussions – Directors' reviews, recorded separately

X. A motion was made to adjourn; the meeting was adjourned at 5:45p.m.

M – Ann

S – Lucy

Motion passed

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Michalik
Secretary

NEXT MEETING DATE TO BE DETERMINED