

# Montrose Community Band

## January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Minutes

Those in attendance were Lyle Miller, Herb Probasco, Jim Gibson, Donald Ludlow, Yvonne McChesney, and Sondra Webb. Meeting was called to order at 7:49 pm.

### Minutes

The December minutes were read individually and corrected.

### Treasurer's Report

Jim Gibson

- Ending Balance for 2006- \$5,841.82
  - Deposits for Dec. - \$ 1,131.07 as of the 19<sup>th</sup>
    - \$ 125.00 - Main in Motion for December 2nd
    - \$ 161.07 - Christmas Concert donations
    - \$ 50.00 - private donation for 2007
    - \$ 300.00 – Dennis Bailey of Coldwell Banker Bailey & Co.'s sponsorship of the Christmas concert
    - \$495.00 Private and business donations for 2007
  - Expenses for December - \$ 235.80
    - \$ 8.59 - Office Depot for hanging folders
    - \$ 25.00 - Daveto's Restaurant for Sondra Webb musician of the quarter
    - \$ 102.21 - Christmas decorations
    - \$ 100.00 - Andy King stipend
- Deposits for January 2007
  - \$430.00 – TEI Rock Drills, Inc. for Spring Concert sponsorship
  - \$130.00 – five private donations
- Expenses for January
  - \$300.00 – Pavilion for the Fall Concert, a bill was mailed in the fall but MCB didn't receive it.
  - \$300.00 – Pavilion for the Christmas Concert. \$167.50 was added to our bill for the rental of the space in front and for cookies/coffee. Toys For Tots paid for this so this charge was removed.
- Balance as of 19 January, 2007 - \$5,801.82
- Upcoming Expenses for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter
  - \$ 5.00 trade name renewal
  - \$75.00 to MHS for percussion rental
  - \$25.00 gift certificate for the janitor
- Total Income 2006 \$6,145.37
- Total Expenses 2006 \$5,870.48
- Total Surplus \$309.89
- Lyle gave Jim a check from the City of Montrose for \$350.00

### Committee Reports

#### Fundraising

Herb Probasco :

- Herb couldn't report on the success of the membership drive since he didn't know how many donations had been returned. It seems like the response was light. Jim will give him a report.
- Jim Gibson will turn in the application for funding from Wal-Mart.

#### Publicity

Herb Probasco

- The Daily Press did an article on us and Steve Woody has mentioned our rehearsals in the Around the Valley.

#### Uniforms

Yvonne McChesney

- Nothing to report.

#### Website

Yvonne McChesney

- The unapproved December Minutes have been on the website. There was discussion whether or not they should be on the web. Anybody can see our budget and minutes, maybe that is not necessary. But Lyle commented that they have to be available to the public.
- December visits were 889, up from 679 in November possibly due to the concert.
- 3 visitors were searching for Bob Eisenman, 1 for Herb
- People have been reading the minutes, the December minutes received 23 visits.

#### Membership

Donald Ludlow

- Doug Reed still has not returned
- Penni Van Zandt may not play after all
- We may get 2 new flautists

## **Librarian**

Sondra Webb

- Joe will return soon and his wife will be helping with the library. Sondra is happy to continue working with the music library.

## **Music Director**

Andy King MIA

## **Old Business**

- The information for the donation to the St. Bernard Parish Community Band is in the American Association of Concert Bands Magazine. We should probably select a school. The money that is earmarked for the donation, \$500, is part of the surplus for 2006.
- Yvonne brought up the membership in the Montrose Chamber again. The benefits are:
  - Brochures can be placed at the chamber
  - Listed in the Print directory and on Website
  - Access to Chamber Mailing list labels
  - Access to Relocation Requests
  - Bulk Mailing is only \$15 plus postage, cheaper than our other source.
  - Herb brought up that it may help us to get involved in the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of MontroseYvonne proposed the motion to become a member of the Chamber at an approximate cost of \$147 for one year. The motion was seconded and approved but not unanimously.

## **New Business**

- Lyle reported that we need to be sending a copy of our program to the Association of Concert Bands (ACB) to be covered under their blanket BMI/ASCAP license which notifies artists of their music being performed.
- Lyle also reported that the ACB annual conference would be an excellent source of information for the director and ideas for increasing membership and we should send someone. We can't make this one, registration is closed, but we may be able to send someone (should be the music director) next year. The band would pay for the registration, the rest of the expenses would be up for discussion. Lyle

made a motion to send someone and it was seconded but Yvonne didn't think we had enough information to make a decision. Herb asked if the GJ band has attended or are they members? The motion was tabled until next meeting. We need to ask Andy about it also.

- Herb mentioned that we need to pick auxiliary music in case we cannot play with the Delta Wind Ensemble.
- Jim Gibson has the fall concert's CD and will give it to Donald to listen to. Yvonne mentioned that we should compile a "Best of" CD. That would be better than just printing another CD.
- Jim reported that Ellen Flanary, the Pavilion Directory, suggested giving out tickets to the concert and the tickets would have the sponsor's information printed on it. Yvonne said it would lend credibility and create urgency. Herb wanted to know would be in charge of the project, it is work, plus a cost of about \$40. Herb suggested we don't do tickets, Yvonne thought we should have more information.
- Jim reported that Western Slope Pro Audio installed a new sound system in the Pavilion. Getting recordings of the concerts are free in 2007. They have a DVD available to us at the end of the concert. Jim said the system was good. Jim will talk to Larry Sims regarding the recording of the concerts, one less responsibility for Larry.
- Jim mentioned that we have several 2005 concert CD's that we could make available for donations, we should have them available at the concerts. Herb recommended that we do set some aside as demo CD's
- Junk mail was handled.
- Jim reported that Montrose 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration is Wednesday May 2<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup>. We should be involved. The celebration is on May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- We scheduled our Annual Meeting during the break at rehearsal on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>.