**Revised again 10.30.24 additional comments are underlined and in weird green color.**

**Revised** **9.19.24** Minutes from MNCB board meeting Monday August 12, 2024 via Zoom – started at 7:35 **Completed items are in purple**.

Present: **Sharon Reed, Heather Gillin, Brian Gilin, Deborah Newnham, John Longacre, Kevin Sparks, Mike Farrell, Mary Arranz**

Absent: **Rom Romoff**

MNCB agenda:

        1)  Don Guanella site: **board agreed to table this until later – site is in litigation**

             a)  Contacted groups- update: **7 groups replied for former emails where we gave a deadline of July 1. Peter will create a letter to send to the groups we have already contacted. Peter found the letter. It was sent to board members.**

             b)  Alfred Hurd speaking to County Council - when, who is coordinating with him?  John? – **John will contact Alfred with our update on this. According to John, Peter Miller is fighting the county for $ for the property. This may prolong things.**

             c)  Where do we go from here? **This will be tabled until more information is available**

        2)  Progress on Maris Grove video and submission to possibly play there – **Deb is almost finished with the video needed to submit to Maris Grove. Possibility to play in 2025. Video is finished. Everyone has viewed it. Sally and Mary met with the contact at Maris Grove, surveyed the stage and seating area, and sent photos of the arrangement. We will play there on May 21, 2025.**

        3**)** Calendar for 2025 –**(fall season is 14 rehearsals before BI concert)**

1. **Beth Israel concert will be Saturday, May 17, 2025 – Sharon will notify Beth Israel – email sent 8/14/24. Reply- we are set on the calendar**
2. **Lima Estates concert suggested date is Tuesday, May 13, 2025 – Sharon will contact Lima Estates – email request sent 8/14/24. Reply – 2nd Tuesdays of every month are for birthday celebrations at Lima. We are now scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025. Sharon did not ask about a Dec. 2025 date, until MNCB board discusses this. We are now also scheduled for Nov.25, 2025.**
3. **East Goshen Park – Sharon will contact Jason Lang – email sent 8/14/24. Reply from Jason – Sharon needs to call back in January, after their budget meetings.**
4. **Deb will create a Google Sheets for player availability for each concert. Sheet will include member names/instruments/concert dates (responses are yes/no/likely/unsure) - Google sheet created and sent. Some band members still need to reply to it.**
5. **Spread concerts out – possibly a concert in April**
6. **Massey House – John will contact to see if they are doing their fall festival and plus ask Marple Township about Community Day in October. We played there on Oct. 19.**
7. **Sharon will send out Welcome Back with calendar the last week of August. Kevin and Deb will provide information. Kevin sent letter to Sharon 8/14/24. Letter sent.**

        4)  Music has been selected and returned, in folders – **Fall folders will be distributed at the first rehearsal on September 9. Spring folders will be collected then. Mary will send out a list of music to be pulled from the spring folders. Mary will send Google Sheets Names and Instruments to Deb. Completed.**

        5) Music distribution - folders for current members, new players will receive a folder upon payment of dues - **agreed**

             a) Hats and shirts used at parade and game – **Laura currently has a shirt (from Blue Rocks game). Needs to pay. Mary has list of those needing to pay.**

        6)  Treasurer's report – **currently about $9,500 in account**.

**Update: From Heather – Meet Up subscription has increased greatly and opinion is that we do not have much success with it. Board members who responded to today’s email from Heather agreed that we should cancel that subscription. Meet Up subscription was cancelled on 8/15/24 by Heather.**

        7)  Purging of some pieces of music - space limitation, incomplete scores, etc. – **Sharon will bring 10 boxes to rehearsal each week to be evaluated by Kevin and Deb. Boxes will be brought to next rehearsal.**

        8) Opening of Beth Israel on 1st rehearsal - Sept. 9.  Sharon will be away – **Kevin will open and close. Sharon will give fob to Mary for Kevin. Completed.**

9) Delco Arts Consortium – **Mary will contact to get member application. Other associations discussed are on national level and more expensive. We agreed to start small and locally with the Delco Arts Consortium. Mary was told that we need to designate a board member to be part of their monthly Zoom meetings.**

10) July 4 parade discussion: **Brian will send “Thank You” note to the Lopez drivers with check for additional $50 and photo of band on float, plus ask for ad to put in our program. Brian will contact Randy Bates now for July 4, 2025 with offer of $150 plus program ad to drive us. Brian contacted Randy on 9/23. John will give Deb a check to reimburse her for $60 she paid for Lopez to drive us on July 4. Mary will send letterhead to Brian for “Thank you”. John needs to bring checkbook Mon.9/23 to pay Deb.**

11) Website: update. **Brian will update. Include some photos of parade. Mary will send conductor bios and updated calendar. Not finished. Will upload.**

**Next meeting: Sunday, September 22, 2024 on Zoom 7:30 – 8:00. All people with jobs should report on their progress. Follow up meeting on Zoom on Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 7 p.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted 8/14/25**, and again on 11/3/24**

Sharon Reed, Secretary