Minutes from MNCB Board Meeting via Zoom on Oct. 13, 2025

Meeting started at 7:05 p.m. Ended at 8:15 p.m.

**Present:** Debbie Newnham, Mary Arranz, Brian Gillin, Peter Parashes, Don Semler, John Longacre, Michele Truitt

**Absent**: Kevin Sparks, Bonnie Strang, Lara Hopf, Ron Romoff, Mike Farrell

**Agenda discussion**: Harpist to play “The Nutcracker Suite”

1. Current treasury account is$13, 173.41, not including a few more dues deposits, therefore there is money to pay for a harpist.
2. The Russo family, in honor of Karen, has given generously, and it was suggested that the harpist be paid with acknowledgement that it is in memory of Karen Russo.
3. **Motion made and carried**:
   1. Motion to secure Mary, the harpist recommended by Kevin, for the dress rehearsal and December 13 concert, for the sum of $300.
   2. Motion also includes:
      1. we state that the concert is sponsored by the Russo family
      2. that there be wording in the program such as the following (which can be amended or reworded later):

“Due to the generous donation of the Russo family in memory of their daughter Karen, a former flute player with us, we have a harpist playing with us tonight.”

1. Discussion also recommends that we have an empty chair with a flute honoring Karen Russo and also an empty chair with a trumpet honoring Lloyd Spangler plus a brief statement about Lloyd, one of our founding members.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Reed, Secretary

Marple Newtown Community Band