

Joint meeting minutes of Warren Junior Military, Band and Alumni Association

Saturday, March 29, 2014, 9:00 am

Eat-n-Park Restaurant meeting room, Austintown, Ohio

Attendees

- Russ Beatty
- Joe Costarella
- Kevin Chiu
- Drew Bain
- Jim Cunningham
- Wendy Mundell
- Jon Willis
- Mike Ceci
- Holly Ceci

Land owned by WJMB at 0 Motor Inn Drive in Liberty, Trumbull County, Ohio parcel ID #12-696825 was sold in January 2014 as approved for sale by the board in December 2013. Sale price was \$63,000. Proceeds after costs related to the sale were \$57,666.50 and were deposited in February 2014 to the band PNC Bank account.

Warren Junior Military Band Inc PNC Bank account balance on 3/28/2014 is \$70,417.61. The bill for Austintown Self Storage expense of \$1,720.50 was paid for a full year in August 2013, so the next due would be in August 2014 (if needed). (Note: Additional storage area is being used in Salem, Ohio at the location of Udder Cream manufacturing at no cost.) The monthly account maintenance fees are \$3.00 per month. Detail of bank account transactions were distributed in a separate handout.

Motion was made by Holly Ceci for WJMB to donate \$50,000 to the Youngstown State University Foundation for an endowment memorial scholarship fund to be created in honor of long time WJMB director Donald W. "Squire" Hurrelbrink. Squire was WJMB director from 1930-1996 and passed away in 1999.

Motion was seconded by Jon Willis.

Motion approved.

A scholarship committee (band) will be created and will meet to write up the scholarship details for the YSU Foundation endowment agreement.

Motion was made by Holly Ceci to donate all remaining physical property, including, but not limited to instruments, music and equipment to the WJMB Alumni Association.

Motion was seconded by Mike Ceci.

Motion approved.

The WJMB Alumni Association will draft a letter to be mailed to local band organizations to attend an instrument and equipment giveaway and sale (of select items) sometime this Spring. Most items are expected to be given away, while some more expensive items will be listed for sale. Giveaway is expected to be in the form of a "lottery", where giveaways will be done in order of number/ticket pulled. When the attendee's number is selected from the pool of numbers, the attendee will have their choice from all remaining giveaway items.

The band's music library was expected to be donated to the YSU Dana School of Music, but it is unknown if they can take the large amount of music that is available. The giveaway committee will need to decide if any music will be included in the giveaway and if so, what if any music will the association keep in possession. If any music is kept, then storage issues will need to be worked out.

A giveaway committee (alumni association) will be created and will meet to write up the letter and work out the final details and date of the giveaway.

Motion was made by Mike Ceci to donate \$20,000 to the WJMB Alumni Association to preserve the history of the band.

Motion was seconded by Jon Willis.

Motion approved.

The alumni association is working on a couple of different items related to band history.

Jim Cunningham has been in contact with Peppermint Studios to digitize the band's annual concert recordings. The number of recordings that are available to be digitized is unknown just yet, but the estimated cost is \$90 per hour, where each annual concert would typically involve 3-4 hours of time.

Jim has also been in contact with Arcadia Publishing regarding a possible proposal to write a book on the history of the Warren Junior Military Band. The association would be expected to purchase a large number of the first printing, which is typically 1,200 books. These books typically retail for \$21.99. The book authors are typically given a 40-50% discount of this purchase price. The alumni association is expecting a minimum expense for this endeavor of \$7,000. The authors of the book and the publishing proposal still need to be worked out.

If any band music is kept by the association for historical purposes or other needs, then the donated funds are also expected to be used toward storage expenses.

It was noted that the new balance for the WJMB band will likely be 417.61, minus monthly account fees. It is expected that the storage facility in Austintown will be empty before the next storage fee is due in August.

All needed committees will meet Thursday, April 3, 2014, 6:00 pm at the home of Mike and Holly Ceci. Current committee members are expected to be Jim Cunningham, Wendy Mundell, Jon Willis, Mike Ceci, Holly Ceci and Russ Beatty. Attendance and input from other alumni is welcome.

[Update April 3, 2014 – Committee meeting moved to Saturday April 5, 2014 at 9:00 am at Cracker Barrel Restaurant, 5600 Interstate Blvd, Youngstown, Ohio]

The next meeting of Warren Junior Military, Band and Alumni Association is scheduled for Saturday, May 3rd, 2014 at 9:00 am at Eat-n-Park Restaurant meeting room, Austintown, Ohio.