

Approved by the Board on Nov. 15, 2020
Camarillo Community Band Board of Directors
Minutes of Sunday, October 25, 2020 (6:30 PM)
Meeting online via Zoom

Members: Daniel A. Rhymes (President), Betty Weyek (Vice President), Rick Austinson (Treasurer), Mark Fischer (Secretary), Andy Binsley (Board member at large), Doug Hardie (Board member at large), David Hudnell (Board member at large), Nadia Becker (Board member at large).

1. Call to Order. 6:32.
2. Roll Call. All members were present except David Hudnell.
3. Approval of the Agenda. The agenda – to discuss the Christmas Concert – was unanimously approved. Mark Fischer had not yet distributed the minutes of the Board Meeting of October 18, 2020.
4. Christmas Concert 2020. Dan Rhymes introduced the topic.
 - A. Rec and Park's Offer. Connor Soudani, a recreation specialist for Pleasant Valley Recreation and Parks District, has sent a note to Dan Rhymes. PVR&PD is willing to support a Christmas concert if the band follows the city's "Covid Enforcement Officer." Connor suggested the possibility of a 1:00 concert in a park instead of the Community Center. Connor made four points:
 1. Safety. For the concert to take place, the city would have to be in the Orange Tier of safety from Covid.
 2. Band. The CCB would have to confirm enough band members to give a concert.
 3. Rehearsal. PVR&PD will offer a park for the band to rehearse and chairs.
 4. Instrument Personal Protection Equipment. The code enforcement officer for the city has requested "Instrument PPE." Flutists can purchase, for example, a bag that goes over the flute. There is a mute for saxes and trumpets.
 - B. Discussion.
 1. Objections. Several board members felt that the PPE was an excessive demand. Others were concerned that outside concerts risk poor weather (and harm to percussion instruments). The chances that the city will reach the Orange Tier are "uncertain."
 2. Advocates. Other board members said that an outdoor concert in December is possible, because the weather in Camarillo is temperate.
 3. Instrument PPE. The board members discussed the possibility of masks and PPE. Camarillo High School Band members are playing with masks built for instrumentalists. Members expressed concern about asking band members to purchase PPE.
 - C. Board Reactions. Each board member spoke. Most objected to the Christmas Concert. At 6:55, Andy Binsley moved to "politely decline" the invitation from Connor Soudani of PVR&PD. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Conclusion. The next board meeting is November 14. Dan Rhymes requested a discussion of social media, and asked Nadia Becker and Betty Weyek to give a general introduction to the topic. The meeting adjourned at 6:59.

Mark F. Fischer