*Approved by the Board on March 19, 2023*

**Board of Directors, Camarillo Community Band**

Minutes for the Meeting of January 15, 2023

Meeting Time: 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM 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). Excused were Nadia Becker (Board member at large), Steve Graff (Board member at large), and John McQuilkin (Board Member at large).

1. Call to Order. Dan Rhymes called the board to order at 7:00.
2. Roll Call. Mark Fischer announced that a quorum of six was present.
3. Approval of the Agenda. Dan Rhymes moved to approve the agenda that he had sent the members in advance. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Minutes.
   * 1. Introduction. Mark Fischer invited the Board to consider the minutes of the meeting held on November 13, 2022.
5. In-kind contributions. Mark and Dan Rhymes had different recollections about the discussion of in-kind contributions. Mark asked the board to reconsider the five principles having to do with in-kind contributions, including the first principle that “In-kind contributions should be recognized just as cash.” The board affirmed them.
6. David Hudnell. Betty Weyek said that a discussion about a recently-resigned board member should not be in the minutes, and the board agreed.
   * 1. Conclusion. The board approved the minutes as amended.
7. Finance Report. At 7:17, Rick Austinson made a finance report. He had submitted to the members statements of the financial Balance, of Profit and Loss, and of Transactions.
   * 1. Presentation. Rick displayed the various statements onscreen and narrated recent changes to the budget. He noted that the Camarillo Community Band had generally achieved its fundraising goals. Its expenses continue to rise.
     2. Proposed Budget for 2023. Rick displayed a worksheet “CCB Working 2023 Budget.” He has projected a modest increase in expenses (and the need for a corresponding increase in income).
     3. Discussion. In the discussion, Dan Rhymes noted that he had recently sold his van, which was used to transport equipment to and from rehearsals and concerts. The board agreed that the 2023 budget ought to include truck rentals under the line item “concert expense.” Andy Binsley moved (and Betty Weyek seconded) approval of the proposed budget. The motion passed unanimously.
8. Past Topics: Copyright Infringement.
   1. Introduction. At 7:41, Dan Rhymes gave an oral presentation of research done by John McQuilkin about copyrights. John had received assurances from Harold Kyle, a lawyer, that the band need not seek legal approval or belong to an organization such as ASCAP in order to perform music that it has legally purchased or to post concert videos of performances on the band website.
   2. Discussion. Board members considered whether to post video recordings of band concerts on the band webpages. The general agreement was that yes, it is permissible, provided that concerts are free of charge.
9. Board Meetings in 2023.
   1. Introduction. At 7:53, Dan Rhymes proposed the following Sundays for meetings of the Camarillo Community Band Board of Directors: January 15, 2023 (today’s date), March 19, May 21, June 11 (not an official date, but only if necessary), September 10, November 12 (final meeting of the year), January 14, 2024.
   2. Approval. After a brief discussion, Andy Binsley moved approval of the dates, and the motion passed unanimously.

1. 2023 Summer Rehearsals and Concerts.
   1. Introduction. At 8:00, Dan Rhymes announced that it is “likely” that Conejo Mountain will invite the band to play on Memorial Day, May 29.
   2. Rehearsal. The group agreed that one rehearsal is sufficient for Memorial Day. A rehearsal was set for Tuesday, May 23.
   3. Summer dates: Dan announced that, as usual, the band will perform on the Thursdays of July 2023, with rehearsals on Mondays and Wednesdays.
2. Camarillo Ranch Foundation. Dan Rhymes said that the foundation may invite the band to perform on May 27, 2023. The board met this announcement with approval, although concern was expressed about the noise of food trucks and a need to amplify the sound of the band using microphones and loudspeakers.
3. Web Page Hosting.
   1. Introduction. At 8:09, Dan reminded the board that he had committed the band to a 3-year contract with GoDaddy to host the website. It will expire in August.
   2. Decision. Mark Fischer said that GoDaddy is somewhat expensive but reliable. Although there was some discussion about getting a quote from other internet providers, Andy Binsley moved that the board stick with Godaddy. The motion passed with five ayes and one nay (Betty Weyek).
4. Pleasant Valley Recreation and Parks District. At 8:18, Dan Rhymes announced that he will meet with PVR&PD officials regarding the Memo of Understanding. PVR&PD’s Katlyn Simber-Clickener has not replied to his request for a room for the board’s monthly meetings. An alternative is to rent a room from Pleasant Valley School District for $12 per hour.
5. Current Operating Committee Reports. At 8:22, Dan noted that the committees have not met recently and he encouraged them to do so. Andy Binsley asked about the end-of-year fundraising letter that he had proposed at the November meeting. It was not sent this year, and Andy recommended a fundraising letter in 2023, as well as a more aggressive approach to fundraising.
6. Upcoming Board Meetings. At 8:29, Dan reminded the board that its next meeting is slated for March 19. It will take place via zoom unless PVR&PD offers an in-person location.
7. Adjournment. The board adjourned at 8:35 PM by unanimous motion.

Mark F. Fischer