

MCB Officer's Meeting Minutes August 29, 2025

- Present: Dave Ryan, Robert Schwartz, Samuel Strong, Tom Scripture, Sara Ann Emerson
- Absent: None
- Next Meeting: October 10, 2025

- Band Operations
 - Officers
 - Tom Scripture - New VP
 - Student/Youth Representative update (more on this at future meetings - Samuel and Sara Ann have discussed and propose a more “youth-centric” 18-25 role as the band grows and evolves)
 - Non-Officer Positions
 - On-site logistics - Suzanne Berry Simmons (confirmed)
 - Off-site (transportation) logistics - Suzy Murphy? (she wants to be in this role and is actively doing it)
 - Hospitality - ? (Dave will speak to Rhonda about being in this role in an official capacity. This would organize things like receptions post-concerts, Birthday Nights, etc.)
 - Review of By-Laws (Robert will send out a link to edit. First round of edits will be due sometime in September.)
 - Addition of Digital Media/Graphic Arts Committee
 - Liability Insurance Update (Dave will speak to MCCO about their liability insurance situation.)
 - Bank Account (We currently have several pre-signed checks, so until those are used up, we will not change anything regarding the bank account - according to by-laws, president and treasurer are the designees to be named on the account.)
 - Band Newsletter (Will discuss more at future meeting. Sara Ann has subscribed to some other musical organizations' newsletters and will report back at a future meeting.)
 - General Meeting - Schedule (Currently, by-laws state that meeting should occur in the 4th quarter of the year. Dave proposed to move it to the 3rd quarter, so it can occur in less “busy” months.)

- Financial Update (Robert provided a printed financial report)
 - Current Balance
 - Sources of Expenses
 - GUMC fees update
 - Anticipated expenditures - 2025
 - Outstanding Bills
 - Sources of Income (Fayetteville HOCP, Donations, etc.)

- Five Year Plan
 - Rehearsal and Storage Location (We need to be thinking of options in case GUMC becomes non-viable.)
 - Income Sources (We need to work toward diversifying. Current income sources are HOCP, Donations... Tom will ask American Legion for donation.)

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- Sponsorships (Is this a direction we want to move in? Better option than fundraising.)
 - Membership Growth
 - Recruitment - what is the vision for this organization? (We will revisit)
 - Band Assets - current and future (Stewardship and maintenance of all we have - physical and digital, what is our plan??)
- Performance Opportunities
 - Downtown Madison, Memorial Day Patriotic Concert 2026 (Tom will reach out to American Legion and ask)
 - Chattanooga – Aquarium, Coolidge Park 2026
 - Other opportunities
 - What makes a “good” concert location/idea (Aesthetically pleasing, outdoors, plenty of seating, willing host!)
- Committees
 - Graphic Arts and Digital Media
 - Youtube Channel
 - Band Gmail Account
 - Members
 - Purpose and scope of the committee - based on membership or? (Will discuss further at a future meeting. As we are adding committees to the by-laws, etc. Just think about whether or not things we are currently doing are things we want to keep in the long-term OR just what we have members willing/able to do.)
 - Monetization and copyright
 - Other forms of digital media
 - Membership and Recruitment? (Potentially adding a committee of people that have ideas regarding this. Can discuss further at a future meeting.)