

FORT POINT GARRISON BRASS BAND
Annual Meeting
September 4, 2016
Silverland Inn & Suites
Virginia City, Nevada

MEETING CALLED: 3:30 pm

PRESENT: Doug Thompson (President), Marty Sampson (Treasurer), Greg Sweatt (Secretary), Bill Allen, Chris Mosher, Eric Totman, Mac Wright

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: no report

SECRETARY'S REPORT: no report

TREASURER'S REPORT: We currently have \$6,112.43 in our account. The Band's Labor Day weekend pay for the two day Virginia City "Civil War Days" event is \$1,000.

The question was raised as to when the FPGBB wants to award the Mike Johnson Scholarship. Scott Pierson (San Jose State band director) retires at year's end. We can award the scholarship before or after he retires. Mac moved (Doug second) to award \$2,000 to the Mike Johnson Scholarship for the 2016-2017 year to be given to a deserving trumpet player at the SJSU band director's discretion. Motion passed unanimously. Treasurer's report accepted by the Band.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion was held as to a policy review. The Band needs to define more clearly who a "guest performer" is. The Band Board will present the criteria for such a person to the entire Band for review by October 22. Input was heard from all Band members as to their opinion on such a policy.

Marty moved (Eric second) that the FPGBB have a set rehearsal policy of bi-weekly rehearsals starting on the first Saturday of each year. Discussion was held as to the merits and necessity of such a policy. Bill called the question. Motion defeated.

Marty withdrew the motion.

Marty will update an active music list for the Band so that all members will have all the same tunes all at the same time.

Discussion was held as to doing a more structured performance or rehearsal when the Band is in a public venue.

Bill mentioned that the Silver Queen Hotel in Virginia City has "basic" rooms, but at very good prices. He said the Band might want to think about getting a block of rooms there in the future when the FPGBB has gigs in Virginia City.

Marty asked if the Band, as a whole, thought the Board was doing an acceptable (good, adequate) job. The consensus was yes.

Band members need to look at possible new gigs.

ELECTIONS: Mac moved (Eric second) that the FPGBB retain the current board of officers for another two year term. Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Eric moved (Mac second) to adjourn. Motion Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

As stated under New Business and policy review in the FPGBB Annual Meeting of September 4, 2016, the Board has further defined who a "guest performer" is.

For the purposes of the Fort Point Garrison Brass Band, a "guest performer" is a musician who must meet all of the following criteria:

- Has a background and/or knowledge of Civil War Brass Bands and period music
- Skills, abilities and musicianship are personally known to a present FPGBB full member
- Has been invited to play by a majority of full members present

Please *reply all* with feedback as to your thoughts on this more clearly defined term.