

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Suffolk Concert Band held on
Thursday 4th February 2016 at 75 Chatsworth Drive, Ipswich**

Those present were: Simon Pulham (Chairman), Angela Hope (Secretary), Mark Cheadle (Treasurer), Gordon Scopes (Membership Secretary), Tom Rumbold (Librarian), Russell Banyard (Concert Manager), Adrian Budgen (Trustee)

135. Apologies for absence

These were received from Heulwen Peters.

136. Adoption of minutes of meeting held on Thursday 7th January 2016

The minutes were adopted by the meeting with the following correction:

(130) ...we are going to make a £650 (approx.) loss in 2015, equivalent to hiring a bus to Eastbourne.

137. Matters arising from meeting held on Thursday 7th January 2016

(125i) The band photo for John Whelton now has a white frame that can be signed by band members.

ACTION: Angela will arrange band members signing the photo.

(125ii) There are 12 photos of the band already on the website, and Gordon believes he has original copies of most of these. Angela also reported that she has a CD of photos from the photo shoot at Holy Trinity in 2005 and the recording in 2009. Angela also circulated a price list to get calendars printed through Vistaprint.

(128) Roger Jones is unavailable for the summer slot.

(132i) Tom has purchased the East Coast Pictures Suite.

(132iii) Tom has yet to find out the status of "White Christmas" - the outstanding set for Essex Concert Band.

138. Secretary

Nothing to report.

139. AGM 2016

- Chairman – invite Brian Annis. If unavailable Gordon will do it.
- Trustee Positions – proposal forms circulated to current trustees
- Subscriptions for 2017 – the committee proposed to increase these to £102 (remain at £35 for those in fulltime education)
- Agenda – additional items; TeamSnap, 50th Anniversary Year and MD Rota, added to agenda.
- Previous Minutes – these have been circulated and the committee will report any discrepancies to Angela before 10th February.
- Independent Examiner of the Accounts – the committee to continue with this process and ask Jill Blofield once again.
- VP's – there will be no proposals this year.
- Honorary Members – the committee agreed to propose Stan Goodall.

140. The SCB 50th Anniversary Year

i) Ideas for 2017:

Venue	Time of Year	Action
Recording session with Tom	- February	
Chalfont (with reciprocal concert)	- March/April	Chalfont have agreed to a spring concert and would to arrange a face to face meeting, which Adrian will be able to organise.
St. John's Church, Cauldwell Hall Road	- May	Angela will find out about charges and availability on a Saturday night in May.
Derbyshire Hotel and Wind Band Joint Concert	- May/June	Small group recce
SRL Garden Party, Sudbury	- 4 th June	We would like to go ahead with this on 4 th June.
Barham Hall	- 25 th June	
Felixstowe Seafront/Triangle	- Spring/summer	Angela will investigate further
Eastbourne (reserve away trip if required)		
Summer Social	- Wednesday July/August	

Holy Trinity (definite event)	- December?	
Aldeburgh Festival Pop Up Bandstand		This was offered for 2016 not 2017. Can be removed.
Suffolk New College		Simon will investigate the suitability of this as a venue

141. SCB at 50 Recording Project

i) Tom Day charged £60 for the recording of the open rehearsal. The disks have been received but Adrian has not yet had the chance to listen to them.

142. MD Rota Management

i) The committee held a lengthy discussion about Duke Dobing. The committee will await feedback from the band before arranging any future sessions.

ii) Adrian circulated Paul Arthur's CV. The committee formulated a draft plan for the remainder of 2016:

- Summer (until end of July) – Charles Hine or Paul Arthur
- Autumn (September/October) – Duke Dobing
- Christmas (November/December) – Tom Rumbold/John Whelton

143. Chairman

Nothing to report.

144. Treasurer

i) The committee agreed for Mark to arrange a gift voucher of £50 for Jill Blofield as a thank you for examining the accounts.

ii) Agenda item for next meeting – MD fees

iii) Adrian will negotiate a reduced hire fee for the copy of Dance Overture used for the Tune Up, as the parts were not of an acceptable standard. The committee agreed that we did not want to purchase this for our library.

145. Membership Secretary

i) Angela reported that she has received correspondence from Zoe Edmunds re Jack Patching (Tuba) joining the band. The committee agreed that his induction period during the Tune Up has not been ideal and agreed to extend his trial for further rehearsals.

ACTION: Angela and Simon to talk to Jack regarding his extended trial period and membership of the band.

ii) Trevor Brown (percussion) is currently unwell and will be taking a sabbatical from the band until his health improves.

iii) Sally Webb's absence during the Tune Up rehearsals has been noted.

iv) Alison Keep has loaned the band an expensive French Horn, that belonged to her father, for John Whelton to use. Mark will check the band insurance to make sure we are covered.

146. Librarian

146.1. Trailer Working Party

Machine Mart have a VAT free weekend so a further four shelving units will cost £200. The committee agreed to this expense.

ACTION: Russell to purchase shelving units.

147. Concert Manager

Nothing to report.

148. Forthcoming Events

Nothing to report.

Meeting closed at 22.15pm

**Date of Next Meeting
Thursday 3rd March 2016
Venue – 4 Ogden Grove, Kesgrave**