

**Minutes of DCCB Board Meeting
September 1, 2005**

Called to order by Irv Eisen at 6:15

In attendance were Mary Auen, Angela Bloemke, Irv Eisen, Annette Ellis Jo-C Gaston, Don Gilbert and Tom Shaffer

Old Business

Minutes from last meeting had been email to board members. Additions & corrections were requested; none made. Approved unanimously.

Irv has contacted and received from Mike Helms all access information for the web site.

Jo-C reports that the grant has been approved by the DAC for use of the facility, but that the funds we asked for have not been.

Rick reported via phone that the Forest at Duke holiday concert has been scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 7:30 pm.

Discussed Spring Black History concert. It was noted that if we do not have a Spring concert at the DAC, they need to be notified ASAP so that we will not have to pay the \$690 space rental

New Business

Irv will draw up a seating chart for the band.

Don G. delivered the Finance Report. We had a net loss of \$1,991.26 last year and a current balance of \$1,480.48. We have a great dependence on those corporations which donate money to the groups in which they have employees volunteering. Don will get an average of what we have spent on music the past few years, add to that what we have spent on a gift for Tom and recommend that as this year's music budget. Don will also announce a need for contributions & corporate matching gifts at a future rehearsal.

Irv will email the music inventory to the board members

Discussed venues for concerts. Irv has visited and photographed West Pt. on the Eno Amphitheater, Duke Park, Central Park & Oval Park. Eno Amphitheater is inconvenient. Duke Park is right by I-85 and too noisy. Central Park is not quite ready. Mary suggests looking at Trinity Park on the east side of East Campus, at Trinity & Watts. It's small so the band would sit in the street; is in a good neighborhood for attendance.

Discussed Oct. 30th concert. Tom reported that American Tobacco is not available and suggested looking into Duke Gardens, behind the Doris Duke building for a future concert. We decided to perform at Oval Park at 3:30.

Irv read an email message from a long time band member who wished to remain anonymous regarding concerts and feedback received from other band members.

Discussed looking for venues for concerts that have readily available protection in case of rain. American Tobacco has a lobby and a roofed outdoor area.

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 6, 6:00 pm in the DAC 1st floor conference room

Summary of Action Items:

Irv – Seating chart

Don G. – Music budget

Don G. – Future announcement re. request for contributions

Irv – email music inventory to board members

Irv – evaluate Duke Gardens & Trinity Park for concert venue

Respectfully submitted by: Irv Eisen