

# *Kingdom of the Sun Concert Band, Inc.*

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*April 29, 2025*

*The April 28, 2025, meeting of the Board of the Kingdom of the Sun Concert Band was held at Panera Bread, Ocala, FL. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Kathy Haldeman, with 8 members in attendance: Dan Fisher, Kathy Haldeman, Craig Lilly, Les Muncaster, Marcia Muncaster, Dave Sandgren, Brittany Schofield, and Janet Voyles, and one absentee, Pete Axson.*

*Minutes of the previous meeting accepted by electronic consensus and filed as reported.*

*In the absence of the treasurer, a brief financial report was given by President Kathy Haldeman. The final treasurer's report will be transmitted to members and, upon approval, filed as reported.*

*Post concert comments were received from the conductor, conductor emeritus, and members at large, followed by discussion, as follows:*

- (1) Concern regarding audience size, especially Saturday performance, which may prompt future consideration for only 1 concert per selected performance weekends*
- (2) Generally positive comments from Board members pertaining to musical performance, with some concern expressed about insufficient rehearsal for some of the concert selections*
- (3) Negative comments from all members about scheduling dress rehearsal too far in advance of the concert; i.e., Monday of performance week*
- (4) There is a concern about stage lighting for the concerts. According to Kathy, pursuant to a discussion with Cindy at MTI, the School Board is adamant that no changes be made to stage lighting. Item tabled for follow-up.*

*Discussions:*

- (1) Pre-Concert Entertainment - It was suggested that an Oom-pah band or polka group from KOS provide September pre-concert entertainment; Dave & Dan are researching this possibility. A community bell choir, the Brick City Ringers, is confirmed for December pre-concert entertainment and/or participation with the band.*
- (2) Publicity – A motion was made by Dave and seconded by Craig giving Janet the authority to research advertising prices, i.e., through Evvnt.com, and provide the information for the Board's approval and followup. Motion carried. The Board also asked Janet to continue her participation in the Ocala Art Walk, in addition to researching expanded outreach on FaceBook or other social media, with the assistance of Torri Wands.*
- (3) Photographer – Craig volunteered to confirm a photographer for the September 11<sup>th</sup> band rehearsal.*

- (4) Memorial Day – The band’s participation at the Ocala/Marion County Veterans Park is confirmed pursuant to the previously disseminated details: Band report is set for 9:00 a.m., May 26<sup>th</sup>, with downbeat 30 minutes prior to the 10:00 ceremony.
- (5) Performance Dates - The September 13 & 14, 2025, performance dates have been confirmed with Cindy at MTI, with dress rehearsal on Thursday, September 11. The December concert and dress rehearsal dates cannot be submitted and confirmed until July.
- (6) Updates
- a. Scheduling only 1 concert on certain 2026 performance weekends was discussed, per Item (1) in the post-concert discussion above. Item tabled at the present time.
  - b. Dave & Pete will visit the Ft. McCoy Veterans Home to discuss future concerts there.
- (7) Annual Band Meeting – The annual band meeting will be held Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.
- (8) Amended Patron Form – Mailing of postcards to patrons and/or notifications via email was discussed. Marcia will be amending the current patron form to allow patrons to select which method they prefer.
- (9) Concert Setup & Teardown – Bruce Denton is now in charge of concert setup and teardown, with Pete & Mike Holt taking over responsibility for the sound system.
- (10) 2026 Tentative Concert Dates –
- February 28 and March 1
  - May 2 & 3
  - September 12 & 13 or September 19 & 20
  - December 5 & 6

Motion to adjourn was made by Dan, seconded by Brittany. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marcia Muncaster*

Marcia Muncaster, Secretary