

WHEATLAND MUSIC ORGANIZATION  
 VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING  
 September 14, 2021

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kent Blackmer  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marco Menezes        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Cavner   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barb Oakley          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kim Croy       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caroline Passariello |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carrie Harris  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maria Reiser         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marilyn Hummel | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Short            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Ane Krum  | Emeritus members:  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roger Little   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Ball             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jo McLachlan   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Hoff            |

EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lola Tyler | <input type="checkbox"/> Brooklyn Young |
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The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

Proposal Mary Ane, second Don, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None specific. Lola reports that most comments have been positive. We thank the staff for dealing with those few negative people.

Brief discussion of Facebook posts re: potential festival vaccine requirements. Concerns were expressed that leaks of information from committee meetings are preceding Board discussions/decisions about issues. We are reminded that we have committed to keeping certain information contained until the Board has made decisions and the office has posted them to the public.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

1. The grounds mowing contract will be up this year. Consensus to extend the contract for one more year (12/22) at the same price. Will has also kept up with mowing and weed whipping in the downtown area.
2. Eric and Mike, temporary 2021 First Aid co-coordinators have asked about extending their positions. Consensus to follow protocols and post the position.
3. Lola is planning ahead, and working on golf cart cost estimates, tent rentals, etc., for 2022.
4. 2022 Memberships will be available soon.
5. Photo contest – people will be asked to submit photos from their mini-Wheatland events at their homes.
6. T-shirt sales are slow. Tiles will be available soon – hopefully by 10/1/21.
7. Lola is estimating a payout of \$120K in ticket refunds, which is 15% of our revenue. A few have been upset that, while their tickets can be carried over, the membership itself will expire this year, requiring purchase next year. A few people have donated their tickets back to WMO.
8. Security didn't have any serious issues over festival weekend.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The revised Investment Policy was presented. It addresses deposits in excess of FDIC coverage. At times, we have balances approaching \$300,000. There is a new credit union in town. Lola will explore depositing there, keeping our business local.
2. GPS markers aren't done. Plan is to have the project completed before Festival 2022.

3. Fund Development Committee will begin meeting soon, and will be looking at grants, other options, etc. A \$120K operational grant has just been filed. We expect that ticket revenue and memberships will be down next year, as people have chosen to roll over their tickets.

CLOSED SESSION 7:09 – 8:12 pm Emeritus Members excused.

ADJOURN: Proposal Don, second Chili, to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 PM. Motion carried unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Hummel  
Board Secretary