

WHEATLAND MUSIC ORGANIZATION
VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
October 11, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Baker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jo McLachlan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kent Blackmer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andy Munsch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Cavner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claudia Rey-Perry
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carrie Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caroline Passariello
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marilyn Hummel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maria Reiser
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Ane Krum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Short
<input type="checkbox"/> Roger Little	

GUESTS: Greg Hoff, Pam Burke

EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lola Tyler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brooklyn Young	
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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Proposal Chili, second Carrie, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

1. Most of the raffle prizes have been claimed or mailed out, which was quite costly. Most would usually have been picked up at festival. We are assuming that the rains caused people to leave early and not check on their raffle tickets..
2. Festival business is being wrapped up.
3. A committee is being formed to look at volunteer recruitment, recognition, equity in work expectations, etc. Jeff, Chili, Andy, Ben and Melissa will serve on this committee.
4. Roger Little has submitted his letter of resignation, effective the end of this year. He recommends tightening up our festival cash handling procedures, but notes that the organization is in great shape financially. We regretfully accept your resignation. Thank you, Roger, for your years of service. WMO will miss you!

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Scholarships: The Community Ed committee recommends adding \$2500 to the scholarship budget to complete their 2022 commitments. Proposal Jo, second Jeff, to support that request, as previously discussed. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Passages III: See handout. We need a decision whether to proceed with this project before membership letters go out. Concerns expressed include asking for donations for more than one project in a calendar year and the feasibility/advisability of re-using previous materials. The quoted cost estimates are not current. Following lengthy discussion, proposal Jeff, second Andy, that we move forward with Passage's III, using Peach's guideline material, while we continue to work out financial details. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Memberships: Consensus to defer ticket pricing decisions until later. We have not changed membership levels and costs since 2014. See proposed rate change and also Bliss and Hiawatha handouts. Note that we have the cheapest membership levels. Proposal Carrie,

second Mary Ane, that we accept the proposed membership rate increases. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Request to Program Committee – hire BIG NAME bands for the 50th!!!! Greg says they are working on it.
3. Tractor purchase: researched and suggested by the Kid's Hill committee. General consensus that we don't need a tractor; that we can plan ahead for occasional needed usage and include those \$\$ numbers in the land management budget. Several volunteers have the equipment already. Concerns also focused on storage, maintenance and finding skilled operators. The request died for lack of support.
4. Chili & Ben report that we will need significant "rut repair" following the rains at festival. Proposal Jo, second Don, to add \$500 to the 2022 Land Management budget to cover this expense. Will Benton & crew will handle the repairs.
5. Kudos to Ben and the Land Management crews for their work in getting the grounds ready after the pandemic hiatus, and their plans for future maintenance.
6. We need to remove fuel left over from festival from the on-site gas tank. Consensus is that we probably would have used more if the rains didn't eliminate several work crews and shifts. Proposal Mary Ane, second Jo, to donate any excess fuel to God's helping Hands, for their volunteer drivers. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Lola suggests donating leftover T-shirts & sweatshirts to Florida or Puerto Rico disaster related charities. She will check into options.
8. Proposal Mary Ane, second...(none)....to return to in person meetings. Consensus to continue with Zoom through the winter months and re-visit the issue in the spring. We would need to decide how many in-person attendees and how many could attend via Zoom to reach a quorum.

ADJOURN: Proposal Don, second Carrie, to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 PM. Motion carried unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Hummel
Board Secretary