

WHEATLAND MUSIC ORGANIZATION
VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
January 10, 2023

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Baker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andy Munsch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kent Blackmer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claudia Rey-Perry
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Caver	<input type="checkbox"/> Caroline Passariello
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carrie Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Reiser
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jo McLachlan	

EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lola Tyler	<input type="checkbox"/> Brooklyn Young	
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GUESTS: Jim McLachlan,. Barb Oakley,. Marco Menezes, Pam Burke

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

1. We welcome John Reiser to the Board.
2. Proposal John, second Don, to permit the annual Quackgrass Reunion to be held in the Wernette Building on 2/325/23 at 5 PM. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Wheatscouts will be starting up again, with Veronica Stickler as the new coordinator. Proposal Carrie, second Chili, to Wheatscouts volunteers, as designated by Lola. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Robert Barnum will be doing a presentation at Big Rapids Art Works, with our sculpture, which will offer an opportunity for donations.
5. Bob & Kristina Beers want to become more involved and want to attend Zoom/Board meetings. Shall we encourage more area leaders to become involved at the Board level as observers? WMO would control their audio access. If they have issues to cover, then can ask for a spot on the agenda. Consensus answer is yes. We discussed holding hybrid meetings – part in person and part zoom attendance. We agree that in person meetings would be beneficial before major events.
6. Lola reminds us to review and be aware of the parameters in the Conflict of Interest policy.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fire Barn: Jim/Building Committee recommends that we implement plans for a pole barn type building to replace the tent that they have operated from for many years. Exact location yet to be determined, but in the general vicinity of its' usual location. Following discussion, it was determined that we need to follow policy to seek 3 bids on the project. We already have one bid. Details to follow. We will need to save as much of day parking as possible. A sub-committee of Jeff, Andy, Bob Beers & Don Baumann will look at location options. Proposal Chili, second Mary Ane, to allocate up to \$43,000 for the building, based on the numbers in the

first bid. Motion carried unanimously. Lola notes that we may need to get approval through State Campground Licensing to add structures to our site plan.

2. Firehouse Subs grant: There are grant monies available through this organization. Wheatland Township Fire Department could benefit from this grant toward purchasing a transport cart, that could also be used at our events. Proposal Jeff, second Don, that we approve Eric Neumann to work with WFD on this grant, with WMO providing a letter of support and up to \$1000 in matching funds. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Proposal Carrie, second Andy, that Lola write a Touring Arts grant to fund Jennifer Strauss storytelling programs through Community Education. Motion carried unanimously.

At 7:21, the meeting went into Closed Session to discuss Personnel issues.

7:27. The meeting returned to Open Session.

ADJOURN: Proposal Mary Ane, second Don , to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Hummel
Board Secretary