WHEATLAND MUSIC ORGANIZATION BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING April 9, 2013

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

X Jeff Baker	X Roger Little
X Tom Ball	X Marco Menezes
X Mike Bunting	X Greg Neumann
X Kim Croy	X Barb Oakley
X Greg Hoff	X Maria Reiser
X Carrie Harris	Paul Sachs
X Marilyn Hummel	X Sarah Tomasik
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EMPLOYEES PRESENT:	
Y Lola Tyler Rel	hacea Ouvry

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. Proposal Sarah, second Barb, to approve the minutes from the March, 2013, meeting, without addition or correction. Motion carried unanimously. Correspondence was circulated for review. There was no public comment.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1. 90 people, so far, have opted for electronic Quarternotes. Following discussion, proposal Roger, second Marilyn, that WMO move toward an electronic newsletter by January 2014, and that people will need to specifically request a paper copy. We will use every opportunity to inform people about the upcoming changes. It is the "green" way to go, reduces our carbon footprint. It currently costs approximately \$5000 for each edition of Quarternotes. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Steeldrivers Our Front porch Bush Theater CMU 4/27/13
- 3. Volunteer sign up begins 4/29/13. Don't even think of trying to call the office that day, sez Lola. Background check permission forms are being updated.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – see written report

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

- 1. Proposal Tom, second Sarah, to pay the listed bills of \$4598.83. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Finance report was reviewed. No significant changes from last month.
- 3. Fund Development Expense discussion and approval to pay Nic Gareiss up to \$500 to compile statistical data reports, required by Michigan Council for the Arts, from existing funds in the budget. Consensus to seek grant funding from them every year.

OLD BUSINESS

- Web page it's up and running. Some tweaking is still required. The store is working well. Lola
 is very pleased with it and the web managers. Marco will work on a privacy policy to be
 implemented.
- 2. WYCE/ supportive funding proposal: Initial contact came to the Winter Wheat committee, which led to requests from WYCE for fundraising ticket donations from WW, TAW and Fest. Then, Kevin, WYCE manager, went on paternity leave. We are awaiting his proposal on PSA's in exchange for the ticket donations.
- 3. Early Entry: see safety committee recommendations from their 4/6/13 meeting. Following discussion, noting that this policy is controversial, unpopular and difficult to implement as are

- the problems it addresses proposal Roger, Sarah, that the Board support the committee's recommendations regarding Thursday and Friday festival entry, site usage (not saving spaces), definition of family unit, definition of the camp space, etc. Motion carried unanimously. Please note that this recommendation included the wording that area leaders are encouraged to reduce their early entry people by 10%.
- 4. Carry It On: Sharon presented video of the project to date, noting that many regional rehearsals have been held. It is a unique, multi-faceted project, including people that have never attended the festival. The presentations will be documented throughout festival weekend. Nic presented demographic information on his liaison role, overseeing the community education portion of the project. This is a prototype project utilizing creative support from WMO, professionals, and community members. Sharon recommends that WMO Carry It On beyond Festival 2013.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. 5/18/13 Mike will facilitate a meeting for a performers campgrounds committee.
- 2. Sarah has questions about pre-festival work requirements in other areas. General planning information was shared.

Proposal Greg N. to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Hummel Secretary