

WHEATLAND MUSIC ORGANIZATION
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
August 14, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Baker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marco Menezes
<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Ball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Neumann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Bunting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barb Oakley
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kim Croy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maria Reiser
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Hoff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brenda Ritter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carrie Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Sachs
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marilyn Hummel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sarah Tomasik
<input type="checkbox"/> Roger Little	

EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LOLA TYLER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM. Proposal Sarah, second Jeff, to approve the minutes from the meeting, as amended. Motion carried unanimously. Correspondence was circulated for review.

Public Comment:

1. Pam Gilbert directed a presentation on behalf of the Chippewa Hills Orchestral students, including a fiddle and upright bass duet. Following discussion of options, proposal Marco, second Carrie, that the WMO Board pass a resolution supporting the Chip Hills Orchestral program, to be submitted to the CH school board. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Andy Munschy expressed concerns re: a lack of communication over the transitioning of Kid's Marketplace, where the prior volunteers perceive that they were not wanted. He challenged the board to consider the decisions we make, which led into further discussion that the Board was not involved in this decision. Brenda explained her review process, and that she made a decision based on receiving 2 resumes. There was acknowledgement of general miscommunication, hurt feelings, and poor communication throughout the process, and that we will work to mend the rifts.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Neighbor tickets have been mailed
2. We have a part-time office assistant until the festival.
3. The Boy Scouts have requested permission a campout in 5/2013. Consensus to table further discussion and action until this fall. We may ask them to do a service project for us.
4. Request for an elderly woman to sleep in the small office during the festival. Proposal died for lack of support; concerns expressed re: setting a precedent and liability issues.
5. General discussion of early entry guidelines.
6. Ticket sales are down somewhat from last year at this time.
7. We need everyone's worker lists prior to workdays for better food planning – don't need to pay for extra food.
8. Kudos to Sarah and crews for the clean-up efforts. Clean-up costs will be \$5000-10,000. Ray Simon's family want to donate to replace the main stage area tree that went down.
9. Budget report was reviewed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – see written report(s)

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

1. Proposal Marilyn, second Greg N., to pay the listed bills of \$11,092.90. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Radios & communication systems: there will be a walk-about Friday @ 2:00. We need to plan/budget for upgrades and replacements.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 1st time volunteers and money handling policy: It has been in place for 10+ years. The policy was reviewed. The rationale for the policy and the implications of not following it were reviewed. Consensus: that the Administrative committee and board functions are to coordinate disparate, autonomous committees by enforcing policies. We need to improve communication at all levels. Proposal Greg N., second Kim, to keep the policy in place, as is. Motion carried unanimously. Lola will send copies of all policies to each Board member for review. Tentative fall retreat is being discussed for a formal policy review.
2. Consensus that raffle tickets could/should be sold at campground worker stations; that it isn't a good plan for individual volunteers to walk around with cash.
3. Proposal Marilyn, second Maria, that WMO adopt the equal opportunity policy as presented, as necessary to apply for the MI Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs grant. Motion carried unanimously.
4. All committees are reminded that minutes are required to be taken at all meetings, and that copies of those minutes are to be submitted to the office.
5. Mona Bunting will not be able to continue running Mona's Café in future years. Thanks, Mona, for all you have done.

Proposal Sarah to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Hummel
Secretary