

WHEATLAND MUSIC ORGANIZATION
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
September 18, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Baker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marco Menezes
<input checked="" 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 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 6:45 PM. Proposal Greg N., second Tom, to approve the minutes from the August 2012 meeting, without addition or correction. Motion carried unanimously. Proposal Marilyn, second Sarah, to pay the listed bills of \$90,720.31 and to suspend the usual meeting agenda for the festival re-hash discussion. Motion carried unanimously

Correspondence was circulated for review. There was no public comment.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT – deferred.

FESTIVAL RE-HASH – If a written report was submitted, it will not be included here. Please contact Lola if you wish to have a copy.

1. **Trash consciousness:** it was Kathy's worst year for no shows. She will need more garbage cans next year. She notes that recycling needs to have a Monday crew working as trash crews handled many plastic and cardboard materials.
2. **Kid's Marketplace:** Ann made a couple of changes, made more space available by eliminating the featured artist, assigned kid's space at registration. Generally, all went well.
3. **Main Stage:** we had a good time and things ran on time. (I'm fairly certain he says that every year!) having good staff makes Tom's job easy. One negative comment was that people want us to remind musicians not to repeat their set from their previous performance & thought it was written into their contract (it isn't).
4. **Medical** – no report available
5. **Performer Hospitality:** camping area is tight. They are going to be looking at numbering the sites to get better organized.
6. **Pre-Gate:** There were 137 camping units on site after Labor Day weekend...most in Hot Mud (37) and Performer's camp (27). Happy farmer's came in before fire lanes were set up. The Board agrees to provide more clear and consistent guidelines before next year's festival. We need to develop a set of standards and abide by them. Also under consideration is numbering campsites in Hot Mud.
7. **Radios:** Thanks to Pommy and Jeff Baker for re-programming them and troubleshooting. We will need to upgrade for future years; probably will look at rentals instead of purchasing a large quantity.
8. **Safety:** (A) Greg N. met with the Sheriff's Dep't re: the Friday morning road snafu. The changes were based on road safety issues and were not discussed with WMO prior to implementation. A plan for better cooperation/information sharing was developed. (B)

Thursday no parking on the road was appreciated by the neighbors. Though many people still attempted to park there, they graciously moved on.

9. **Dispatch:** it went well. They kept a logbook of people who dropped money in the secure area. Forms will be revamped before next year.
10. **Gate:** Sylvia will be assuming full responsibility for coordinating the gate throughout the festival (after Derek's crew stops on Wednesday). Welcome aboard, Sylvia. She will be looking at the traditional problem areas of early entries, scheduling, cash handling procedures, etc. Many people came back to the gate after having trouble finding camping spots, some stayed in day parking...encourage carpooling!!!
11. **Fire:** fire lanes around chicken barbeque were problematic. Car parking in the food vendor area was also a problem. There were some radio/communication issues and dust control problems. We need to include "don't run your car" in the no generators policy. Chinese lanterns, while beautiful to launch and watch, can be a safety hazard...also need to be excluded from use on site.
12. **Food Vendors:** Greg will be looking for new food options for next year.
13. **Middle Ground:** Carrie is bringing in new management assistants. Percussion workshops went well; were better coordinated and monitored.

Comments: After 39 years, it's still a work in progress. Kudos to the volunteers. We all have such an important part in making it happen.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Brenda Ritter (Arts and Crafts/Raffle) submitted her resignation from the Board, effective 9/20/12. The Board thanks her for her many years of service.
2. Board consensus that when we look at policy review, we include a consistent plan for replacement of board members, committee chairs, etc.

Proposal Tom, second Carrie, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Hummel
Secretary