

Hiawatha Music Co-op Board of Director's Meeting Minutes March 2, 2022

Present: Julie Foster-Lindquist, Susan Bertram, Katrina Keough, Melinda Britton, Jeff Krebs, Candice Blackstone-Larson, Ann Fisher, Jenna Hartom, David Wood, Dan Truckey. Guest: Karen Bacula, Music Committee Co-Coordinator

Review of January and February Minutes:

Motion:

Financial report: Prepared by Susan Divine

MCFCU Checking: \$

MCFCU Savings \$

MCFCU Account: Shuttered Venue \$

Bell Financial Investment 360 Portfolio: \$

Motion: ANN moves to accept treasurers report, DAVE seconds; ALL IN FAVOR SUBJECT TO AUDIT.

ED reports on revised 2022 Festival budget.

Board retreat document reviewed.

Festival

Discussion on sound contracts with Music Committee Co-coordinator Karen Bacula.

Music Committee recommends continuing with Armadillo as per their verbal agreement. Concerns reviewed with BOD. Karen Bacula discusses sound contract.

Discussion on larger local event sound. Comparison to bass for electric vs acoustic.

Festival sound set up has been discussed for Hiawatha including vendors' openness to receive HMC board and attendee feedback.

Discussed crowd sentiments toward sound. Ongoing discussion for capacity for one vendor to run both stages. Sound quality discussed.

Equipment discussed for main stage speakers and upgraded equipment.

BOD in agreement that a response will assist in decision making and continuity is important.

BOD in agreement Jeff Krebs may discuss with Sombrero and Armadillo Sound. Further discussion on turnover on stage.

The board will make an e-vote based on the conversation and recommendations. Other board members invited to attend via music committee.

Main Stage dance act discussed and will change into solo dancer. Interest in doing something in the children's area for the completion of the children's budget. Karen will connect with Jeff Krebs via email.

Discussion in dance and education and regalia. 650.00 for second stage collaboration and space needs. Added to children's area and workshop AC discussed. Would add Saturday of Festival.

Credit Card Fees discussed. BOD recommends adding credit card fees to purchases made on the website.

Motion: ANN moves, DAVID seconds, ALL IN FAVOR.

Purchase of a storage container discussed. Lee Ossenheimer and Susan have been looking at a second smaller storage trailer.

The festival items have been moved but office is still in need of more storage. Chairs are still needed and a reconfiguration of storage. ED requests smaller trailer to be purchased from the SVOG fund.

Motion: ANN moves to accept, CANDICE seconds; ALL IN FAVOR.

Purchase of chairs discussed. Lee O identified a lot of new padded chairs without arms are stackable and for sale – 25 per lot. Getting 2-3 lots – up to 75 chairs. SVOG funds will be requested if bid comes through for HMC.

Stage Donation brought to board. Gayle Lajoie is donating to HMC and said he would assist in setting up and free use of it in the deal. Arabesque is being sold to double trouble. The extra trailer approved would fit the tent but it is full. 30 tables purchased are also in brown trailer. For storage of a stage donation from Gayle Lajoie, and for the children's crafts area items.

Donated stage would be able to stay at Jim Supanich's house until logistically we can move in August after 2022 festival. This would also allow us to sell the flat bed and alleviate the tent situation for second stage/dance tent.

Motion: ANN makes a motion to accept donation from Gayle and accept purchase of office chairs, JEFF seconds, more discussion ensues regarding to the rental and use by Gayle Lajoie. Affirmed. ALL ARE IN FAVOR.

Current ad pricing vs newly proposed – not increased since 2015 or earlier

Smallest – 70 as a business card to 100

Next quarter page 100 - 150

Horizontal half page 175 jumping to 225

Full page from 230 – 300

Inside cover – 350 up to 400- suggestion to increase to 450

Motion: KATRINA makes a motion to make these changes, ANN seconds, ALL ARE IN FAVOR.

The proposal from Lisa Graham for sound production after a live event. BOD discusses HMC production needs and will request Lisa provides a new proposal not to include production after the event but to continue to stream a quality event and have it recorded. Lisa was able to send out additional material for upcoming events via the new computer equipment. Archiving is better via YouTube and it is recommended to save via YouTube. No subscriptions will be added.

Electric Company Red Electric – will look at having an outlet for the new cabinet and added a 4 to the LATF stage. Festival needs were also discussed with him and would suggest a helper that he would oversee the possible work at Festival.

Bypass, lottery, and newsletter timeline reviewed by ED and Directors report provided to the BOD.

Committee reports tabled.

Meeting adjourns 8:06 PM

Minutes Submitted by Katrina Keough