

HMC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 8/9/23

Attending: Jeff Krebs, Julie Foster-Lindquist, Candice Blackstone-Larson, Ann Fisher, Louise Anderson, Dan Truckey, Tom Dummer, David Wood, Terri Bocklund

Attending via Zoom: Jenna Hartom, Melinda Britton

Review June Minutes: Louise's name is not Lois.

Treasurer's Financial Report: Candice.

Bell Financial: \$93,085.26

Money Market #1: \$13,5405.16

Money Market #2: \$17,656.10

Incredible Bank: \$141,736.92

Board action: Treasurer's Report and June minutes accepted

Old Business

Lease: Lease hasn't been signed yet, but we've agreed on a 3 yr lease starting at \$1,050 (Starting this September) increasing to \$1200/mo over the period of the lease. More details upon lease signing.

Recap of Board Retreat: tabled

Virtual Open Mic: Terri: Farm virtual open mic went well though we had no attendees in the Fold.

Grant status: Terri. We applied under our fast track. MACC grant. We most likely will get at least 76% of the \$30k we applied for.

Archive status: Julie. Dan has talked to Marcus—Marcus hasn't been getting anything for the NMU archives except the In the Pines shows. Dan says the old performances on tape may not have survived.

Security Concerns continue at the Fold: People using the fold have not been using the log and there have been times that the Fold was left unlocked. We could possibly have a Ring system there would be video surveillance. We will make better signage to start, and check out Ring pricing.

New business

Policy for non-discrimination: do we have one? Where is it? We have language on our Festival program and website but we cannot locate this policy. Ann is willing to draft this if it cannot be found.

Dance floor for Blues Fest and revision of contract. **Board action**: we will rent it once again to the Blues Fest

Annual meeting and board turnover. 11/4/23 Annual Meeting. Event committee will come up with a band recommendation. Tom and Ann are up for Board re-election, and both are interested in continuation with the Board.

Turtle tent collaboration: Katie is interested in possibly using the Turtle Tent materials elsewhere in the community. We could charge a fee for other organizations to use the Turtle Tent materials. **Board action**: Board would like to work within our Mission Statement to make this possible, with the addition of some musical instruments (maybe ukuleles, percussion instruments) to send.

Festival

Preliminary Festival Numbers: preliminary numbers are good, it appears we made \$ this year. Attendance: close to or surpassing 4000. Candice and Melinda volunteer for overseeing Thursday night camping.

Review of Processing Fee: fees were inconsistent for recouping credit card fees. This issue is tabled to gather more info.

Lakeshore Depot issues: LD made less than half what they made last year—they had a location near the dance tent. Julie: we need to work with the contract we have. Moving token sales to the middle of food alley and refraining from having food vendors near second stage can help.

Reviewing Camping fees: are we charging too little for large RVs? We may need to cap the amount of large RVs.

Director's Report

First peek, Festival in the Rearview. Terri submitted a spreadsheet of yearly hours of ED and office staff. Service animals were not nearly as much of an issue this year. Storm was handled well. We are missing two radios (rented).

Committee Updates

Events-rethinking our schedule. Board is inclined again to have less events (Hotap and Live at the Fold).

Email Votes

Change meeting date from Aug 2 to Aug 9. Vote passed.

Lakeshore Depot's disappointment in Festival proceeds. Need to discuss.

Todd Carter selling Hiawatha primitive at his AITR booth. Vote passed.

Turtle Tent pricing 50% discount. Vote passed.

Heather Picotte fee for Board Retreat at \$350. Vote passed.

Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted by Jeff Krebs, Secretary.

2700 Festival Director Wage	10,416.62
2700.5 Extra Staff	2,825.98
3700 General Director Wage	6,880.24
3700.5 staff	1,624.91