

Hiawatha Music Co-op
Board Meeting
4-8-2015

Present: Jesse Luttenton, Erin Leahy Putvin, Julie Foster-Lindquist, Doug Kitchel, Heidi Stevenson, Michael Reed, Susan Bertram, Susan Divine (via satellite)

Absent: Katrina Keough(excused), Lee Ossenheimer

Minutes from last meeting were tabled.

Treasurer's Report: Doug

as of 3-31-2015 we have \$68,987.85 with Bell Financial. Our investment has grown \$10,466.02 since inception and has grown \$2,447.01 since 4-1-2014.

MCFCU (4-1-2015): \$17,396.24

Susan remarked that this is about the same as last year, and it's maybe even a little bit ahead of last year at this time.

Jesse moved to accept the Financial Report subject to audit. Heidi seconded. Motion carried.

Public Letter to Local Businesses: Susan drafted a letter to be sent to the local businesses located on Enterprise Dr. It explained the traffic increase on from Thursday-Monday on Enterprise Dr. due to the festival.

Blackrocks: Kick-off event and volunteer sign-up are in the works. Waiting for feedback/response. Regular contact will be fulfilled with Blackrocks.

Events: "Warm-up Wednesdays" have each (2 so far) made a small amount of money. Union Suits play on April 15 and May 20 is All Strings Considered. At this point, it seems like a success (esp. for a first year). We're not losing money and we're gaining membership. May be better billed as a family event. We discussed promoting one or two family events/children's performances.

Annual Meeting: Lindsay Lou and the Flatbellies are performing. The Elks are very interested in this collaboration. Erik will prepare food in his kitchen and food will come prepared to be served. There is a \$200 deposit (as opposed to the original number of \$100). HMC is responsible for tickets. There will be a platform set up on the dance floor. We are responsible for removing any decoration. An agreement will be written and signed. This is new territory for the Elks, so HMC will create a contract. Jim has been contact about sound, at this point.

Bayou/Chocolay Brewing Company: Susan, Jesse, and Gene met with Jim Parks and (?) at the Bayou to discuss "Hiawatha on the Bayou." There will be 1-2 bands, they will pay up to \$1000.

Sound is \$250. Posters projected at \$50-75. Tickets projected at \$30. There will be a buffet (unable to serve food from menu during this event). \$12 advanced ticket price/\$15 at door. \$10 HMC members advanced/\$12 at door, 12+ \$3

HMC does posters, ad on our website. Ticket sales will be through Great Lakes Radio, the Bayou, and at the HMC office.

We discussed having an open mic, followed by a local band, then a bigger band to close. Need to agree on ticket %. April 25 is not a good date, looking to May 30 or June 5 (later confirmed at May 30).

Festival Luthier: Much discussion and many questions. They would be considered a vendor. Most of the discussion was not in favor of providing additional tickets for wives and children.

Survey: Michael Reed

Michael presented a preliminary survey drawn up on Survey Monkey and the board discussed and considered a handful of adjustments. Michael will come back with an adjusted survey.

Jesse moved to adjourn at 7:17 pm. Doug seconded. Motion carried.

**Minutes respectfully submitted on 4-29-2015 by Erin Leahy Putvin