

Hiawatha Music Co-op Board  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
1-14-2015

Present: Susan Divine, Jesse Luttenton, Julie Foster-Lindquist, Doug Kitchel, Erin Leahy Putvin, Susan Bertram, Heidi Stevenson, Mike Fitzpatrick, Michael Reed, Lee Ossenheimer, Katrina Keough

Jesse moved to accept the minutes. Heidi seconded. Motion carries.

Financial Report: Bell Financial: \$67,804.63, MCFCU: \$19,809.41 Wells Fargo: \$9,911.03  
Total: \$97,525.07

Bell Financial comparison: End 2014: \$67,804.63 vs. End 2013: \$65,890.78= Gain \$1,913.85  
Mike moved to accept the financial report, subject to audit. Jesse seconded. Motion carries.

Election of Officers:

Treasurer: Mike nominated Doug, Julie seconded. Doug accepted. All in favor.

Secretary: Katrina nominated Erin. Heidi seconded. Erin accepted. All in favor.

Vice-President: Julie nominated Susan Bertram. Erin seconded. Susan accepted. All in favor

President: Katrina nominated Julie. Erin seconded. Julie accepted. All in favor.

HMC officers 2015: President: Julie, VP: Sue, Treasurer: Doug, Secretary: Erin

Monthly meeting time will be 5:30 every second Wed. (food at 5:15)

Old Business

Annual Meeting: Lindsay Lou and the Flat Bellies are confirmed with a \$1500 fee for Oct.9.

Having issues with venue at this point. Much discussion about venue ensued. Michael discussed the Elks Club (cost \$100 w/ membership + \$150 cleaning deposit. Michael is willing to be an Elks member). Fire Marshall limit of Elks: 250 people

Susan B. will be looking into Coco's and will follow-up.

Susan B. presented the concert budget for the annual meeting. Susan needs info on venue by Friday.

Concert Committee: Concert committee met. Feb. 18 Sarah and Clancy are booked for the Ore Dock. Wednesday night series will be named: Hiawatha Warm-Up. Draft concert budget worksheet was drawn up and presented at the meeting.

Board Retreat: The board retreat was held on Saturday Jan. 17 at the Landmark. The goal was to set short- and long-term goals in the areas of finance and membership, as related to strategic planning.

Director's Report: Thank you to Kim Danielson for displaying HMC posters at BabyCakes

-Susan discussed an unusual request about a Hiawatha wedding. Peter White Public Library invited HMC to have a space at the Marquette City open house on Feb. 4 from 4-7. Katrina will take the lead on this.

-Susan presented an invite from Jim Gillespie (BlissFest) inviting HMC in a music festival round-table discussion in Big Rapids.

-Traffic work group plan was reviewed by Jon Swenson. The back gate will be widened. The city plans to proceed with the playground reconstruction. We are hoping that the playground is not in mid-process at festival time. Moving forward with the traffic plan.

**-First Festival Meeting** is scheduled for **February 10: 5:30 potluck and 6 pm meeting** for all Area Coordinators and Board Members

-Saturday Jan 31, Northern Lights Series with Jonathan Rundman, Erik Koskinen, and Charlie Parr. This show is considered the close to the HMC exhibit at NMU.

-February 1: HMC sponsored Community Sing at PWPL.

-There was a request for donation for Savannah Fortin (who was recently in a serious car accident). Jesse moved to donate one festival ticket and gift basket from HMC. Michael seconded. Motion carried.

-A letter from Chuck Ganzert was read and reviewed by the board. Heidi moved to table this discussion until next meeting. Katrina seconded. Motion carried.

-The board would like Chuck's input on an exclusivity clause.

-There was much discussion about the percentage of profit gained by HMC from musician merchandise. The current rate is 10%. After considerable discussion, Mike moved to increase the percentage from 10% to 15%. Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

-Doug would like to discuss the release of a promotional cd with Chuck Ganzert as well.

-Susan D. recommended to have the festival budget approved in the fall (in the future) to promote ease within the music committee in the future.

-Susan B. expressed concern about regular updates from the music committee.

Heidi moved to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Katrina seconded. All were in favor.

--Minutes respectfully submitted by Erin Leahy Putvin on 2-3-2015