

Minutes of the Oregon Bluegrass Association  
Special Meeting of the Board  
Held Tuesday January 14, 2014 at the residence of Marlene Smith

At the last meeting, President Colby Buswell called for a special meeting of the Officers & Board Members to be held at the residence of Marlene Smith the second week of January. Meeting was called to order by Patty at 7:38 PM, Ron Preston took the minutes. Marlene was thanked for hosting the meeting.

**Officers, Directors and Members attending:**

Colby Buswell Tel-Com, Patty Spencer, Ron Preston, Cleve Friedman, Chris Palmer, John Prunty, Christine Weinmeister, Marlene Smith, Ian Joel, Pat Connell and Tony McCormick.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Dave Hausner could not attend, but Colby reported that we currently have \$10,915.69 in the account, of which \$2,200 is earmarked for Chicks Kids. We also have \$645.27 in the Pay-Pal account. John McCoy was unable to attend, but advised through Colby, that he still needs the statements from Dave so he can complete the 2013 QB input.

**Secretary's Report:**

After a **motion** duly made by Pat Connell & seconded by Tony McCormick, and by unanimous vote, the amended minutes of the December special board meeting were approved.

**Annual Meeting Discussion:** It was agreed by all that the date be changed this year, to Sunday April 6<sup>th</sup>. Patty advised that she would check on the costs at the Cult Bike Shop & Tavern on NE 42<sup>nd</sup> St. Other ideas were North Hall at \$900-1200, and McMenamins at \$1200.

**Retreat Discussion:** Pat confirmed his family beach house is available for the weekend of March 29<sup>th</sup>. Colby advised that he would send out an invitation list of attendees since space is limited. Ron will be advised of an agenda for the weekend.

**Board Nominations:** There was a brief discussion about adding Chris Palmer and John McCoy to the list of directors, and proposed officers as follows; Chris Palmer–President, Tony McCormick–VP, Ron Preston–Secretary, John McCoy–Treasurer, Christine Weinmeister & John Prunty–Express Editor & publication Director, Pat Connell–Advertising Director, Michelle Traver–Development Director, Linda Leavitt–Volunteer Director,

**Old Business:**

**Murphy Method:** Marlene advised that the event was a success & that we should repeat it next year.

**Library:** John advised the board that the back issues have been inventoried and scanning has begun.

Membership – The board was advised that Matt is working with Suzanne on the database input, and it is ready to go to Buel in OR City for the express mail-out. Chris Palmer advised that a membership email (blast) will be done for the Gospel show Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> and Alberta Rose for that same weekend. Tony will meet Matt to pickup a copy of the database for the web page.

**New Business:**

Freshen Logo: After a vote of 9 yea & 1 na, the freshened design was approved.



OBA Gospel Show: Ron agreed to run the merchandise booth for both this weekend's Eastside BG concert, and the Gospel Show. More volunteers are still needed.

Alberta Rose & Wintergrass: Pat Connell will help coordinate merchandise needs for Alberta Rose, and Tony McCormick will coordinate needs for Wintergrass, along with, Chris Knight and the Palmers.

Express: Christine advised that the new Issue of the Express is expected to go out by the end of the week, for Monday delivery.

Pickers Fest 2014: There was a discussion about attendance (100-150 folks) and investigating the sites detailed in Chris Palmer's handout. Ron agreed to check out Wildwood State Park, Marlene, Ian & Cleve will check out Stub State Park, and report at next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06pm.

Next meeting will be Tuesday February 11, at Marlene's