

# Oregon Bluegrass Association



## **Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board**

Held Tuesday May 12, 2014 at the Palmer residence

At the last meeting, new President Chris Palmer called for our monthly meeting of the Officers & Board Members to be held at her residence on the second Tuesday of May.

The meeting was called to order by Chris Palmer at 7:42 PM. Ron Preston took the minutes. Chris and Chuck were thanked for hosting the meeting.

### **Officers, Directors and Members attending:**

Chris Palmer, Chuck Palmer, John McCoy, Ron Preston, Christine Weinmeister, John Prunty, Marlene Smith, Ian Joel, Pat Connell, Linda Leavitt, and Michelle Traver.

**Guest:** Chris Palmer proceeded to introduce John Malloy to the Board. John passed out a 4 page written proposal detailing his desire to promote an annual four concert series, including the OBA Gospel Show, that would be sponsored by the OBA. He further explained that the events would be held at the Alpenrose Opera House (<http://www.alpenrose.com/pages/dairyville.html>) which is available free of charge to nonprofit corporations, and that he would charge a base fee of \$250 plus 15% of the net proceeds. After the presentation, there was a short question/answer period, whereby John was thanked, and advised that the Board would further discuss the proposal before making a decision.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

John McCoy reported that we currently have \$10,852.00 in the account. We also have \$692 in the Pay-Pal account. The Board voted to provide Chuck Palmer \$50 from merchandise proceeds to pay/repay the mailing costs of products sold on the web site.

- After a **motion** by Christine, seconded by Pat, and a unanimous vote, it was;  
**Resolved** to open a savings account at the Umpqua Bank to hold the Chick's Kids funds, currently totaling at \$2,700.

### **Secretary's Report:**

Ron provided a review of changes to the March and April minutes. He also provided a review of merchandise sales from the annual meeting and the April & May Eastside Bluegrass Series. There was a short discussion about the Board's preference of receiving the minutes of the meetings shortly after or a few days before the next meeting. It was requested that it be done both ways, so we'll try it.

- After a **motion** duly made by Chris Palmer and seconded by John McCoy and by unanimous vote, the minutes of the March monthly and April annual board meetings were approved.

**Volunteer Discussion:** Linda Leavitt provided a festival signup sheet for Board members to sign up to be the lead on the transport, setup, closedown and volunteer scheduling for the merchandise table. She advise she would send out a confirmation shortly before each event. She also asked about advertising for volunteers on KBOO, the web site and in the Express. It was agreed that we concentrate on Oregon events but include Stevenson for sure.

## **Old Business:**

**Jams:** Jim Miernyk has agreed to take over the posting of jams in the area, and we look forward to meeting him at the next meeting.

## **Membership:**

Chuck Palmer advised that we now have about 400 paid members, and he has no problems with the data entry.

## **Merchandise Discussion:**

Ron advised that we need to fix the shirt prices on the web site, and that we should order some hats with the “players in the state outline” since we have sold out. The “2 for” price of Koozies & fun meters has been corrected.

- After a **motion** by Chuck, seconded by Pat, and a unanimous vote, it was;  
**Resolved** To budget \$300 for updating the “Oregon Players” silk screen logo and the purchase of 25 light gray hats with the new design. Chris Palmer agreed to take care it before leaving town.

## **New Business:**

**Committees:** Chris Palmer provided a list of needed committees, which was briefly discussed and tabled until next meeting. It was requested to provide more ideas and thoughts between now and then.

**Express:** Christine advised that she needs help dealing with calendar issues related to Band events, and jams. It was suggested that an “Express” button be placed at the top of the Home Page on the web. Tony, and Pat advised that they along with Michelle and Chris Knight would try to help out with this.

**Open Positions:** Christine advised that we need a web master to replace Tony to help with graphics for the Express. We also need a Publicizing Coordinator to replace Chris Palmer.

**Pickers Fest 2014:** After review and discussion, it was agreed by all to proceed with canceling the reservation of the Zigzag Farm on Mt Hood.

- After a **motion** by Ian, seconded by Pat and a unanimous vote, it was;  
**Resolved** To check on city parks that would be a good venue to hold a one day event & support a beer garden. Marlene & Michelle agreed to advise of the possibilities.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47pm.

Chris advised they will be out of town, but our next monthly meeting will be on Tuesday June 10, at Marlene’s.