

Oregon Bluegrass Association



Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board Held Tuesday November 15, 2016 at Palmer's residence

The meeting date was advanced one week so as to not conflict with the National General Election. It was called to order by Chris Palmer at 7:37 PM. Ron Preston took the minutes. Attendees thanked the Chris and Chuck for hosting the meeting, and providing refreshments.

Chris provided magnetic name tags for those attending, that missed the last meeting.

Officers, Directors and Members attending:

Chris Palmer, Tony McCormick, Ron Preston, Jim Miernyk, Chip Russell, Linda Leavitt, John Prunty, Jack Livingston and Darrell Gulstrom. Christine Weinmeister, Pat Connell, and Clayton Knight were unable to attend.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim reported that as of October 30th, we have \$10,879 in the general account, and \$5,830 in the Chicks Kids account, \$3,500 in the Waller account, and \$1,639 in the S OR chapter general account & \$576 in savings account.

Secretary's Report:

Ron asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes of the October meeting, after which;

- A **motion** was duly made by Linda and seconded by Jim and by unanimous vote, the minutes of the October Special Meeting were approved.

Discussions:

OBA Series: Darrell advised the Board that he had 49 folks and met expenses for the 2nd show. The Board agreed to no longer take a percentage so that he can develop a slush fund for any future shortfalls.

Concerts: Chris advised that all is ready for the January 28th Gospel Show, but may need 2 more volunteers. The Freemont Theater was discussed as a possible venue for seating about 100.

Old Business:

- ❖ Merchandise – Ron advised that we purchased 200 new Koozies @ \$1 each. Considering “Sierra Hull” style hoodies and armless foldup swivel chairs for festivals picking. No decision to purchase was made.
- ❖ Event Committee – OBA BG Series #3 at Freedom 4 Square on Dec 3rd will conflict with the Mult Grange, but hopefully enough will attend to meet expenses. Use of postcards for events was discussed as additional source of advertising.
- ❖ Web Committee – There a need for a separate page for instructors and sponsor members
- ❖ Volunteer Committee – Jack advised that the Gospel show and Wintergrass are set. He would like to help with merchandise ideas and fund raising.
- ❖ Membership – Chip advised he has updated the band member list, and the database is up to date.

- ❖ Express Committee – Plan to have the printer ”Buel” provide the January mailing rather than what we’ve been doing. John Snowdy accepts offer of new 2 year contract @ \$350 per issue. Updated jam list will be ready by early December.
- ❖ Publicity Committee – Nicole will begin keeping the calendar updated
- ❖ Development Committee – Chris advised the applied for \$2500 Umpqua Sponsorship Grant should respond by the end of the year.
- ❖ Chicks Kids – School outreach in progress at Taborgrass, and planning a special this spring.
- ❖ Waller – The draft of the basic grant criteria will be ready for board review at the next meeting.

New Business:

Teleconference: Will advise of call in number

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Chris advised the next meeting will be held on Tuesday December 13th at her residence. Please advise if you cannot attend and have topics for discussion.