

Oregon Bluegrass Association



Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board

Held Tuesday January 9, 2018 by Telcom

Tony McCormick called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM, and Ron Preston took the minutes. He introduced Patrick Seafeld whom will be assisting Donna with this summer's Gay Pride parade.

Officers, Directors and Members attending: Tony McCormick, Ron Preston, Jim Miernyk, Linda Leavitt, Clayton Knight, Chip Russell, John Hart, Steve Eggers, Donna Dunaif & Patrick Seafeld by Telcom. Pat Connell, was unable to attend or participate.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim reported that as of December 31st, we have \$5,345 in the general account, and \$6,331 in the Chicks Kids account, \$4,001 in the Waller account, and \$1,256 in the S OR chapter general account & \$577 in savings account. He also advised we received a \$500.00 donation for the Gospel Show from Jon & Diane Marks. After providing the 2017 P&L statement, he advises our fixed expenses now exceed income which is unsustainable. We need to limit spending and/or grow income.

Secretary's Report:

Ron asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes of the December Special meeting, then;

- A **motion** was duly made by Tony and seconded by Linda and by a unanimous vote, the minutes of the December Meeting were approved.

Old Business:

Committee Reports:

- ❖ Merchandise – No changes at this time. Storage locker now has all inventory & equipment
- ❖ Event Committee – Chris Jones set, no drinks this time. Working on fixing the member discount code on the web site. Updating the “hire a band” web list
- Web Committee – John advises that radio rates hover @ +/- \$700per Qt. & a \$2000 budget should be fine. He can plug grant issuers, and seek other Oregon sources for OBA promotion and advertisement, then;
 - A **motion** was duly made by Tony and seconded by Ron and by a unanimous vote, it was agreed that we would continue funding radio programming and review the cost/benefit of doing at this September's board meeting.
- ❖ Volunteer Committee – No report
- ❖ Membership – Chip advised roster is at 270, & has not updated while moving the last 5 weeks
- ❖ Member Liaison – No report
- ❖ Express Committee – Spring issue mostly ready. Buel printing & mailing working well so far
- ❖ Express Ads – Steve, has created a master spreadsheet for tracking current & upcoming ads
- ❖ Publicity Committee – Steve, will post on Face Book the upcoming BG in the gorge event
- ❖ Development Committee – No report, Umpqua Bank was resubmitted
- ❖ Chicks Kids – No report
- ❖ Waller – John still needs photos for web promotion.

New Business:

Jams: Pat is working on replacing the Audubon Jam with one at Laurelhurst 12-2pm every 2nd Sunday, and Linda will host a jam in the area also. Will have more information at next meeting.

Gay Pride Festival: Donna advised she will also have more information at the next meeting

Wintergrass: Tony, advised payment has been made, and Clayton is getting the remaining band confirmations.

Annual Meeting: Clayton – still seeking a venue, will advise at next meeting.

Nomination Committee: Pat & Tony still working on a replacement list of Officers & Directors.

Membership data problem: Linda advised the board that a significant number of paid members are not getting the Express and do not show up on the database roster. Chip & John will help to correct the problem and advise at the next meeting. It is important to get a name & contact information from any member's complaint and forward it to Chip to correct the problem.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Tony advised that the next meeting will be held on February 13th at Pat Connell's residence. Please advise Ron if you cannot attend and have topics for discussion.