CORVALLIS FOLKLORE SOCIETY

Minutes of Board Meeting May 30, 2020

Board convened via Zoom, with Jason hosting

PARTICIPANTS: Jason Schindler, Bill Pfender, Anne Smith, Linda Herlihy, Denis White, Kurt Smith, Chere Pereira, Dick Theis, Bill Hayden, Frank Griswold, Dave Rabinowitz, ABSENT: Van Fister.

MEETING Called To Order - 5:15pm

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Minutes of board meeting held 3-21-2020 were approved with minor changes.

NEXT BOARD meeting: 3rd Saturday in September- Tentative due to COVID Consider meeting in August to assess situation, update possibilities

OLD BUSINESS:

- Board Position Descriptions formats in process (Anne).
- Bill is drafting the Treasurer's manual with detailed financial procedures
- A.A.L. Presentation: CANCELLED
- Sources for Volunteers: COVID precludes contacting service groups at this time, but we do need ways to coordinate volunteers; create a new board position?
- Outreach, Publicity & Media: Discussion.
- Media covered now: Dave- press releases; Dick -Newsletter.
- Bill Hayden expressed interest in working on outreach & publicity.
- CFS Banner, press kit: on Jason's plate

COVID Discussion

- Resumption of activities dependent on venues & public support
- Unlikely given our community's susceptibility to COVID
- No planning until 2021 or later.

Alternatives to gathering in groups

- Dance- virtual gathering; individuals at home; hosts provide the music
- Sharon Moore Hayloft concerts moved to pasture for distancing
- Song Circles individual songs & singers work well with Zoom formats
- Apps to allow ensembles to play together at a distance e.g. "Jamkazam"

CFS & COVID RELIEF:

Discussion: Financial help for performers, gig workers & venues that support CFS activities Goal: to support and maintain our folk community through these hard times

- Focus: keeping our community intact. CFS able to dispense up to \$10,000
- Contact those that had been scheduled for CFS contra dances, concerts & have apply for one-time aid to replace lost gig revenue.
- Advertise generally that CFS has funds to help out-of-work musicians, by application.
- CFS sends one time donation to selected musicians doing on-line concerts, from anywhere.
- DISCUSSION: contact secretary for details

ACTION: Board will suggest names of people, businesses or groups to receive this one-time donation. Bill will then compile a list and send to the Board for approval.

Board concluded business meeting and moved into the annual member meeting.