

Corvallis Folklore Society  
June 20, 2021 Board meeting

**Meeting Called to Order** via Zoom at 2:00 PM with secretary hosting

**Attending:**

Board members present: Chere, Dick, Anne, Bill H, Bill P, Jason, Denis, Kurt

Absent: Van, Linda, Shel

Non-board personnel: Mark, Dave

**Initial Actions**

- Approved minutes of May 30, 2020 meeting (last official meeting 13 mo ago)
- Set 2021 Annual Member Meeting: July 18th 3-4pm on Zoom.
- Set next Board meeting: July 18th 4-5pm (after annual meeting)

**Old Business**

- Board Position and Activity Job Descriptions  
Anne created a template and transferred one submitted write-up into it  
Will send mock-up out for review & comment
- Corvallis A.L.L. Presentation: Cancelled indefinitely.
- Volunteer Help Update: At 2020 member meeting, Shel Stowell & Kathy Hall expressed interest in organizing volunteers; Anne will contact Shel informally about her Board status & activity interests
- CFS Banner and press kit materials. Tabled due to COVID. Keep on backburner.
- COVID memorials: e.g. Paul Vigansky, and others. Keep on a list of ideas for marking significant milestones in the dance community.

**New Business**

COVID Discussion: Ongoing impact of COVID and reopening CFS activities

- Mark: CFS needs to develop re-entry protocol
- Anne: Any CFS policy must adhere to COVID policies of the hosting venue.
- Bill: Board could develop a set of reopening criteria:
  - Align with CDC & state guidelines
  - Activity groups could adapt these for specific activity requirements.
  - Research what other groups have developed (CDSS)
  - Start with the science & modify/ revise
  - Other groups: Eugene, Portland are also considering how to re-open.
  - Review information from other groups, after drafting our own policy
- Following state guidelines does not imply no one will get sick, only that the number of sick people would not overwhelm the medical system; i.e. spread will be controlled.
- Chere: All events operate within degrees of certainty, not absolute
- Dick: There will be folks who will not go to any kind of indoor events
- Jason: Vax vs. Non-Vax?
  - Contra Committee decided **proof of vax will be required.**
  - Will need to appoint a person to check each person/ card.
  - Check HIPPA rules: not allowed to keep electronic facsimiles on file;
  - Groups need to create own-record system in compliance with HIPPA regulations
  - Honor system would be nice, but not enforceable. We should look at the bigger picture. Also consider the societal & cultural impact of our decisions.
- Chere: Are we liable if someone contracts COVID; should every participant sign a waiver?  
Are there State guidelines for liability?
- Dick: Groups could survey participants re: comfort with different levels;  
could answer Q of who would not come?
- Denis: Hoolyehs are considering a hybrid approach: e.g. host one live dance each

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- month with zoom dances on other weeks. Goal= maintain participation by new people who cannot go to live dances
- Jennifer: is pursuing the vax card issue for Contra group.  
May hold dance in October; possible local band (Bo & Shari)
  - Dick: Whiteside is starting to book performers
  - Chere: is working with 1st Presby for McCutcheon concert in October; (note example of activity specific rule re sing-alongs: if sing aloud, must wear a mask or hum!)
  - Kurt: a formal set of CFS guidelines for venues will foster trust & facilitate access

**ACTION:**

- Board approved forming a subcommittee on re-opening with goals to:
  - Pull together all official guidelines
  - Develop CFS criteria, including a requirement for weekly review/ revise:  
Jason, Denis & Bill
  - Receive venue policy information from individual activity group leaders
  - Timeline: Committee to present policies at the Annual Member Meeting

**Regular Updates:**

TREASURER REPORT (Bill)

- Overall, CFS remains in a healthy financial position. See treasurer report for details
- Liability Insurance plan through CDSS - change in coverage interval; will wait to pay until we need it
- COVID Donations report:
- Presented: original suggestion list & follow-through summary.
- Some bigger organization declined
- Smaller businesses were very grateful - sent thank you notes
  
- Announcement: Anne White, CPA, is retiring. CFS will send flowers & thank you for her years of service

NEWSLETTER (Dick): Newsletter is being issued faithfully, sent to members and posted on CFS website

MEMBERSHIP (Van): Not able to attend; will send Membership report when he gets home

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Sound System Subcommittee: no report
  
- Social Media & Promotions: Jason is working with platforms for distributing content  
E.g. canva.com and hootsuite.com
- Concerts (Chere): John McCutcheon Oct 2022. She has also discovered a potential new venue for house concerts: outdoors, seating for 50-60 people
- Contra (Jason, et al.): dance tentatively planned for Oct 22  
Contra Dance Club @OSU (Jason): defunct until find student liaison
- Hoolyehs (Denis): may host both live & Zoom dances on different weeks
- Best Cellar (Mark): Beatle Fest (usu. last weekend in Sept). Waiting for guidelines.
- Local Folk (Relan, Kurt): No sessions held; starting to think about how to open
- Song Circle (Dick & Kurt): still on COVID hiatus
- Kurt: Farmer's Market music was discontinued for financial reasons  
(e.g. ASCAP, electricity costs) Board suggested that he talk with market managers -  
how could CFS help them overcome hurdles to presenting free, live music in our

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community?

- Bill H: Re CFS Outreach: interested in continuing the “blue-sky” conversation. How might CFS diversify activities, in addition to music; E.g. recruit other folk arts groups, quilts, shape-note singers, etc? Board confirmed that CFS mission is to support folk arts in all forms. We are open to proposals from anyone in the community.

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Annual Member Meeting: July 18, 2021 3-4 pm on Zoom;  
Board meeting to follow: 4-5 pm**

Send agenda items to Jason, cc to Board

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Smith, CFS Secretary