

Corvallis Folklore Society
Minutes of Board Meeting on December 18, 2022

BOARD CONVENED at 2pm via Zoom, Jason hosting

ATTENDING BoardMembers (Quorum: 5+)

Jason Schindler, Van Fister, Chere Pereira, Dick Thies, Linda Herlihy, Bill Hayden,

Absent: Shell Stowell, Bill Pfender, Anne Smith, Denis White,

CFS Members: Dave Rabinowitz

MINUTES: from previous board meeting on Dec 11: discussed and approved

AGENDA: Jason directed board to the Draft Agenda on Google Docs so board members could “suggest changes” in GoogleDocs as well as make a copy for their own records

BOARD ISSUES: Succession and New Board membership

Board members elected in May. confirm roles they are assuming

CFS Secretary replacement: Bill Hayden offered to become secretary trainee with on-going help from current Sec’y (Anne)

Sec’y needs to work with Jason to set meetings

Co-president/ Vice president **trainees needed**

New Webmaster needed soon- trainee; (will Frank help transition?). Must renew website

New board role for outreach and volunteer organizing (tabled)

Recruiting new volunteers: Shell can recruit at dances; Mark Weiss at Best Cellar

Van will communicate with Shell & Mark;

Linda - use CFS Newsletter to advertise

Bill H - recruit from other community groups, e.g. art center & museum.

Dave - recruit OSU Folk Club (thrift shop), contra dance club,

OSU music dep’t: student tech volunteer?

Publicity needs: posters, banners, presence at CFS events

Bill H - will pay \$100 towards creating a Public Service Announcement;

-will send a draft to Jason

Anne: job descriptions need posting

REPORTS

TREASURER REPORT (Van): (See Report from Dec 8, 2022)

Van has addressed some of the issues with Member Planet

MEMBERSHIP: (Linda): 134 current members.

Membership lapses? Need to remind and make appeals for renewing

Dave: Have computer@ CFS events (e.g. Beatlefest) for joining/renewing

Can also use smart phone to join/renew.

Jason could make QR code for easy electronic access

CONCERTS (Chere): Rob Gandara- concert at Conundrum House:

Rob interested in producing smaller concerts; requests co-sponsorship with CFS so as to be ASCAP compliant;

Van- what’s the difference between sponsorship vs. co-sponsorship?

ACTION: Chere will clarify ASCAP question with Rob & Van

Dave suggests: work more closely with Whiteside (see concerts below)

BEST CELLAR: BeatleFest proceeds (minus 7% overhead to CFS) will be donated to sister city

Uzhgorud in Ukraine

CORVALLIS CELTIC FESTIVAL:

Reviewed information from special board meeting on Dec 1. Action items remaining:

Submit written budget & timeline to CFS.

Contact CDSS: explain CCF event; review language of city contract. Will our CDSS insurance cover it?

Contact city & clarify the conditional language in their application form: “depending on the nature of the event”.

Additional discussion touched on:

Performers - who? payment, guarantees,

Money needed up-front? No charge event- donation only

Vendor’s fee? \$200?

Sponsors? Need some big ones

Seed money for future?

Submit Covid & liability plan?

Jason - Board review Covid policy at next meeting (Feb, 2023)

Van made motion for CFS Board to grant conditional approval:

Along with Parks & Rec (the city of Corvallis), the CFS agrees to be a co-sponsor of the 1st Corvallis Celtic Festival

APPROVED!

MUSIC INITIATIVES:

Music at Corvallis Saturday Farmers Market (Bill H., Van)

Contact Rebecca Landis; present proposal for Live Music 2023

Assert music imperative

Locations and options, volunteers

Linda & Van: create petition for support

Music / Bluegrass Workshop (Bill H; Mark; Others?)

CFS BRANDING AND PROMOTION

Jason: Canva.com preview; Swag

Bill H. Support Community Radio;

Expand CDS purview to include workshops, productions

COMMUNICATION NEEDS

Jason: need way to coordinate board related decisions more efficiently

CFS needs other ways to check-in, communicate, & vote asynchronously (beyond email)

Trello, Airtable, etc. He shared document storage options: GoogleDrive, Box, Dropbox,

NEXT MEETING: TBD

Submitted by Anne Smith, CFS Secretary
from notes by Jason and Bill H