

Corvallis Folklore Society

Board Meeting held Sunday March 16, 2025

Call to order: 1:30 pm on Zoom; Anne facilitated
BOARD MEMBERS attending: Jason, Anne, Van, Bill P. Chris, Dick
CFS members (non-board): Dave R., Anne White
Consent Agenda.

Agenda: reviewed and approved
Minutes of 1-20-2025 were approved
Next Meeting set: Sun April 20th. 1:00 on Zoom

Board business:

Memorandum of Understanding with Ryan Buys:

Reviewed MOU to allow Local Folk to hold monthly open-mic sessions at Troubadour
Minor corrections and additions were suggested. Board unanimously approved
the current version of the agreement with the following changes:

1. Jason Schindler, President, added as a signatory
2. CFS website address correction: corvallisfolklore.org. (not www.folklore.org)
3. Email address for Vice President role corrected:
VicePresident@corvallisfolklore.org
4. Text added to CFS liaison description to avoid having to rewrite the agreement
if Shari passes this job on to another CFS representative:

ACTION: Anne will update MOU & acquire all signatures

Annual Meeting: need to plan

3rd Sat in May or 1st Sat in June

Decide details at April board meeting

REPORTS: [Abbreviations. CFS=Corvallis Folklore; CCW=Contra Weekend; CCF=Celtic Festival]

Treasurer: Van

CFS balance sheet

Account Balance: Checking: \$73,638 Savings: \$2,004 Total Assets: \$75,652

For details see treasurer report in Google Docs

CCW: is in the black \$4,674, following 2025 CCW, effectively making up the deficit
accruing from the regular contra dance losses (\$1,527).

CCF Balance Sheet: Income: \$24,954. Expenses: \$23,664. Net: \$1,290

CCF Concert report form: Van, Bill, Anne & Chere met & discussed adjustments to the CCF
report form to align with the current CFS concert form; Board needs to review.

Hoolyehs: Anne White

Continuing usual schedule: in-person dancing every 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7-9pm

Online weekly dances every Tues. 5- 6:30 pm. Canceled Feb 13 dance due to icy weather.

Attendance: regularly 10 to 20 dancers per event. 4-5 new dancers have showed up

Finances: Anne asked Jamie (at UU) to send invoice to Van, but hasn't happened yet.

Rent doubled this year (to \$50/night); have booked UU venue through June, '25

Board members expressed confidence that admission fees will pretty much cover the
new rental fee. Even if not, Hoolyeh has consistently surpassed its 7% annual
target. No worries for the time being

Annual reunion dance party will be in April at Mary's River Grange Hall in Philomath. All
proceeds fund Scholarships to send local dancers to teacher training workshops

Contra Dance and CCW weekend

organizers were reviewed. Gumby still organizing CCW.

Shell will eventually be moving to Seattle, but is on board for CCW 2026.

Van reviewed the payment schedules for regular contra dances: Band, caller, sound, travel stipends and division of extra income.

Question about "holding \$100 deposit for the hall" ?

Concerts: Chere

McCutcheon concert on Feb 20: 300 people attended, gross was \$9264.

\$7,532.07 to performer; \$976.61 to CFS

Chere set up a CFS member discount in Ticket Tomato; 8 people used it.

Steve Smith did sound for free, as usual. Chere made him a "thank you" pie

Topic for next meeting: Brainstorm ideas for an appropriate gift to show CFS's deep appreciation for his many volunteer hours (e.g. sound equipment or useful accessory?)

Membership: No new report. 1/20/2025 report showed current membership at 196;

Web/Tech: Jason.

IT work has primarily been monitoring listservs, website, responding to questions brought to him and maintaining/problem solving as needed.

Jason has been talking with Katie Pardee about web site "mostly back end stuff"

Jason repeated previous board comments about the need to define exactly what functions are needed

Secretary will collate notes from the many discussions & lists created over time & send out.

Jason will revise the document describing what we want in our website, and talk with Katie about it. The result of that conversation will then be shared with membership (Linda) for her input about what is needed for membership functions.

Best Cellar:

The option for Best Cellar to produce a CFS benefit concert in lieu of earmarking 7% of gross proceeds to cover its share of operating expenses was discussed.

No action taken

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Meeting adjourned: 3pm

Submitted by:

Anne J Smith, CFS Sec'y