

1. **Quorum and Call to Order.**

- a. The meeting was called to order shortly after 8 pm by Vice President Kathy Westra.
- b. The following were present, constituting a quorum: Kathy Westra (VP), Betsy Platt (Special Events), Dennis Cook (Past President), Janine Smith (Dance), Lynn Pastore (Membership), Jim Cole (Past Treasurer), Charlie Baum (Monthly Programs) and Lesley Frank (Newsletter).
- c. Anne Sergeant (President), April Grastorf (Secretary), Jean McAulay (At Large) and Holly Steussy (At Large) were absent.
- d. The following non-FSGW-Board-members were present: Stephanie Smith.

2. **Approval of Minutes.**

- a. The Board agreed to defer approval of all pending minutes until the next meeting.

3. **CDSS.**

- a. Stephanie Smith has been contacted by CDSS to see if FSGW would be able to host the CDSS executive meeting in February 2005. This would involve hosting up to 14 people, including providing ground transportation, housing, informal meals (*i.e.*, potlucks), and providing space for the meeting. CDSS is not asking for a specific monetary donation, just logistical and in-kind support.
- b. ***Resolved: That FSGW host the CDSS Executive Board Meeting in early February 2005, in collaboration with the Friday Night Dancers, and that Stephanie Smith and Bert Hotton be designated as contacts.***

Betsy Platt moved that FSGW host the CDSS Executive Board Meeting, Dennis Cook seconded. By voice vote, the Motion was unanimously approved.

4. **Election of Officers.**

- a. Kathy Westra emphasized the need for additional members of the Nominating Committee. Jim Cole and Wayne Harvey have agreed to serve, but more are needed.

5. **Mini-Fest.**

- a. Kathy Westra reported that to date no one has volunteered to head the 2005 Mini-Fest.

6. **Co-Sponsorship.**

- a. Kathy Westra reminded those present that all co-sponsorships must be approved in advance by the FSGW Board.
- b. Dennis Cook asked the Board to permit FSGW to co-sponsor the Eisteddfod to the extent that their venue be added to the FSGW insurance listing, in exchange for mention of FSGW in all publicity and a discount for FSGW members, provided that the additional insurance cost is less than \$100.
- c. ***Resolved: That FSGW will co-sponsor the Eisteddfod if additional insurance costs to FSGW are less than \$100.***

Dennis Cook moved that FSGW co-sponsor the Eisteddfod if certain cost thresholds are maintained. Betsy Platt seconded. Five Board members voted for, two voted against. The Motion was approved.

7. **Washington Folk Festival.**

- a. No member of the Coordinating Committee attended the meeting.

- b. Dean Clamons provided a brief report by email:
 - 1. The revised Cooperative Agreement was "in process."
 - 2. A safety plan was being researched and would be reported upon at the April 2004 FSGW Board Meeting.
 - 3. Reuben and Julia Musgrave are handling publicity.
 - 4. Programming is progressing well.
 - 5. Sousan is handling volunteers until a chair can be found.

8. **Committee Reports.**

- a. *Dance:*
 - 1. Janine is working on the RFP for GEPPAC, which is due Friday, to continue the Sunday Night Contra Dance after June 30.
 - 2. She is booking the Mammals.
 - 3. She asked when the free Membership Dance should be held in order to best coordinate with the FSGW Board nominating process.
 - 4. Janine provided information concerning purchase of a special ladder for use in the Spanish Ballroom. **Resolved: That FSGW donate \$200 toward the purchase of special equipment (a ladder) for use in the Spanish Ballroom, and that an accompanying letter indicate FSGW's interest in remaining in the Ballroom.**
 - Janine Smith moved that FSGW donate \$200, Betsy Platt added a friendly amendment that a letter indicate FSGW's interest in remaining in the Ballroom.**
 - Dennis Cook seconded. By voice vote, the Motion was unanimously approved.**
- b. *Special Events:*
 - 1. Betsy reported that the Mosaic concert lost money; the May event will celebrate Mary Cliff's anniversary.
- c. *Membership:*
 - 1. Membership continues to drop.
 - 2. A new data input person is needed; the position should be advertised in the Newsletter.
 - 3. An honorarium will be paid, but we should avoid the term "salary."
- d. *Newsletter:*
 - 1. Lesley Frank has been contacted by the Buffalo Jambalaya organizers who wish to run an insert.
 - 2. **Resolved: That the Buffalo Jambalaya flyer be inserted in the appropriate issue of the FSGW Newsletter, at the sponsoring group's cost.**
 - Lesley Frank moved to accept the Buffalo Jambalaya flyer for inclusion in the Newsletter. Charlie Baum seconded the Motion. By voice vote, the Motion was unanimously approved.**
- e. *Monthly Programs:*
 - 1. Charlie will email a report. Charlie also reported that the Getaway Committee is working on restructuring the budget, which also includes scholarships from the Lieberman Fund.

9. **Next Meeting and Motion to Adjourn.**

- a. The April 2004 regular meeting will be March 30, 2004.
- b. **Resolved: That the March 2004 meeting be adjourned. Dennis Cook moved to adjourn, Jim Cole seconded. By voice vote, the Motion was unanimously approved.**