

1. Existence of Quorum and Call to Order

- a. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 pm by President April Blum..
- b. The following seven members were present, not constituting a quorum: April Blum (President), Charlie Baum (VP), Richard Aigen (Treasurer), Kim Gandy (Secretary), Liz Milner (Publicity), Susan Stempfle (Publications) and Tim Livengood (At Large).
- c. The following non-Board members were present: Mary Cliff, Dwain Winters, and Roxanne Watts.

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. August 2014 Minutes had been prepared and circulated, but with no quorum could not be approved. .

3. Action Item Reports.

- a. The following action items are pending; no reports at this meeting:
 - i. Independent audit.
 - ii. Legacies language.
 - iii. Requirement of an election even if no position is contested.
 - iv. Database scrub
 - v. New Dancer Committee buttons
 - vi. November 2013 minutes.
- b. Email out as Board position. April reported that this is still in process, but is now available for all official positions.
- c. Logging assistance for Pat McGee. Liz reported that no other volunteers had been found.
- d. University of Maryland outreach dance. April reported that this event had been very successful, according to Ann Fallon (caller) and Liz Donaldson (music).

4. Old Business

a. **Programs.**

- i. **New Chair.** Mary Cliff (acting for the Program Committee) reported that Judy Oppenheim had agreed to accept the position.
 - (1) April pointed out that the Bylaws permit the Board to fill a vacancy by a two-thirds vote of the remaining Board. Eight members of the Board not being present, April stated that she would circulate an electronic resolution electing Judy, which would then need to be reaffirmed at the next Board meeting.
 - (2) Charlie Baum officially nominated Judy Oppenheim to replace Marty Summerour.
- ii. **Programs Scheduled.** Mary reported that Brother Sun would perform September 20 at WES, plus Bob Franke over the 24-26 October weekend.

b. **Changes in Board Duties.**

- i. Email blasts have been transferred to the Publicity Chair.
- ii. The previous Publications Chair formally apologized to the Board for not making the email blast lists and programs available to the Publicity Chair on or shortly after July 1. The President, on behalf of the Board, accepted the apology.

c. **50th Anniversary.**

- i. Roxanne Watts provided a reduced budget, which would result in a much smaller net loss than originally proposed.
- ii. The line items need to be included in the proposed 2014-15 budget, which could not be approved without a quorum.
- iii. April agreed to circulate an electronic resolution to accept the revised budget, which resolution would need to be reaffirmed at the next Board meeting. .
- iv. Liz Milner provided the Board with the "OBX" style bumper stickers, which the Board had previously approved. Quite a few had been given out at the Takoma Park Folk Festival, and a reorder might be necessary.

d. **2014-2015 Budget.**

- i. Richard Aigen presented a proposed 2014-15 budget. As there was no quorum, it could not be approved.
- ii. April agreed to circulate an electronic resolution to authorize Richard to continue to disburse FSGW funds pending approval at the next meeting for which a quorum existed.

5. New Business

a. **Washington Folk Festival.**

- i. Dwain Winters reported that the FSGW WFF, held at the end of May, was successful. Approximately 9200 people participated.
- ii. Major partners were GEPPAC, Montgomery County, National Park Service, WAMU, GEICO, and the

Richmond Folk Festival.

- iii. Ongoing issues with the Park Service permit process.
- iv. The Festival lost approximately \$8,000 – roughly the same as in previous years.

b. **Raise Membership Dues to cover paper copy of Newsletter**

- i. The Board would like the additional fee to be structured as a discount.
- ii. April will check with the Webmaster about how much coding this would require.
- iii. Start with the October newsletter?
- iv. Begin with January renewals?

c. **Publications – Assistance with Editing**

- i. Susan has asked for additional assistance with compiling and editing, at least for the first few issues.
- ii. Liz and April have both volunteered.

d. **Banners**

- i. April has the banners, but would like to make sure that at least a few others are readily available.
- ii. April will put two in her shed, which is unlocked.
- iii. Charlie Baum thought he might be able to take two.
- iv. Judy Oppenheim might want to have one or two for use at Programs.
- v. Liz Miner might want one or two for PR purposes.

6. **Committee Reports** Committee reports, if provided, are attached.

7. **Next Meeting Date & Motion to Adjourn**

- a. The October Board meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 1, 2014.
- b. GEPPAC reports that they gave a key to the lobby doors to someone affiliated with FSGW.
 - i. Richard Aigen believes that he may have the key, which was given to him by former Treasurer Jerry Stein.
 - ii. April asked Richard to turn the key over to her, so that she could be sure to have access to the building.
- c. **Resolved: That the September 2014 meeting be adjourned.**
Liz Milner moved to adjourn, Tim Livengood seconded. By voice vote, the Motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:43 pm.