



Board Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEETING – November 10, 2020

Charlie Pilzer called the meeting to order at 8:09 PM at the online Zoom meeting. Quorum (greater than 8) was established.

Attendees Present:

Charlie Pilzer, *President*
April Blum, *Vice President*
Will Strang, *Treasurer*
Amanda Muir, *Secretary*
Ben Sela, *Dance*
Charlie Baum, *Programs*
Jim McRea, *Publications*
Jerry Blum, *At-Large*
Renee Brachfeld, *At-Large*
Jim Gillard, *At-Large*

Absent:

Guests:

Lisa Null
Jane Gorbaty
Timothy Foley
Fred Stollnitz
Mike Livingston
Janine Smith

Approval of Minutes:

- MOTION: To approve Minutes from October 6th Board Meeting
 - Vote: Jerry Blum moved, Jim McRea seconded
 - Resolved: The minutes of the October 6, 2020 meeting are approved as corrected and entered into the Society records.

President's Report:

- FSGW has had 2 concerts in the past two weeks arranged by Ben Sela and Charlie Baum
- More events are planned for the next month
- Washington Folk Festival (WFF) is going to happen and will need to plan months in advance

Treasurer's Report:

- Investment accounts are up from last month
- Have income from Getaway and Grapevine events
- -\$1800 payments for the September and October Grapevine tellers
- Have been receiving donations
- FSGW has been doing well financially
- Reviewed FSGW 2021 Budget

Grapevine Zoom Report:

- Happened in October with a small audience (63)
- Used FSGW website for registration instead of Eventbrite
- 78 people are registered for tomorrow nights' Grapevine
 - Only 4 individuals acknowledged that they are FSGW members

Concerts and Dance Report:

Charlie Baum

- Need to figure out mechanics of who pays performers and how they get paid (checks written by whom on which account and obtaining W-9 forms)
- First Sunday of December has a great lineup
- Need to learn how to get access to and use e-blast (not just learning how to use it)
- Planning to do a concert every other week starting in January

Ben Sela

- had 45-60 people at last event
- Very low donation income
- Need to figure out registration

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion of the FY21 Budget occurred

Issue 1: FSGW FY21 Budget

- MOTION: to adopt the FY21 Budget as amended
 - Vote: April Blum moved, Charlie Baum seconds
 - Resolved: motion passes, *as amended*

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion of Washington Folk Festival (WFF) program occurred

Discussion of future instructional workshop event occurred

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Discussion of publicity consultant grant from the J&C Higgins Family Foundation occurred

Issue 1: Publicity consultant grant for FSGW

- MOTION: that FSGW accepts Lisa Null's proposal and grant from the John W. and Clara C. Higgins Family Foundation to fund publicity activities and training, specifically to hire Liz Milner for at least six months on a consultant basis to achieve this
 - Vote: Will Strang moved, Renee seconds
 - Resolved: motion passes

Discussion of Core NYE's request for logistics support for New Year's Eve event (zoom license, website space, fiscal agent) occurred

Issue 2: Core NYE's request for support

- MOTION: that FSGW cosponsor the NYE Across the Continent event, providing organizational expertise, financial agency, and website support
 - Vote: Will Strang moves, Jerry Blum seconds
 - Resolved: motion passes

Meeting Adjourned at 10:19 pm.

- Vote: Renee moved, Jim McRea seconded