

Board Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEETING – February 2, 2021

Charlie Pilzer called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM at the online Zoom meeting. Quorum (greater than 8) was established.

Attendees Present:

Charlie Pilzer, President Will Strang, Treasurer April Blum, Vice President 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: Mike Livingston Jane Gorbaty Timothy Foley Fred Stollnitz

Approval of Minutes:

- MOTION: To approve Minutes from January 5, 2021 Board Meeting
 - Vote: Jerry moved, Will seconded
 - Resolved: The minutes of the January 5, 2021 meeting are approved as corrected and entered into the Society records

President's Report:

- Two weeks after NYE Sea to Sea, Charlie P. was involved in a Balkan Music Fest that was pre-recorded and live broadcast over Vimeo
 - \circ 800-900 viewers at one time
 - Raised close to \$30,000
 - Conclusion: market for online events
- Vaccine has been good news
- Still do not foresee having in person events until 2022

Treasurer's Report:

- Investment accounts continue to go up
- A bit over \$30,000 in Wells Fargo accounts
- Around 40 checks to write for NYE Sea to Sea
- Need to write donation thank you letters

Discussion of new publicity photo database occurred

OLD BUSINESS:

Mid-Winter Festival Report:

- Have 4 different kinds of dance
- Attempting to not start events all at the same time
- April has a "greeter" lined up for front Zoom "lobby"
- Need multiple Zoom rooms for concerts, dances, chantey sings, story circle, song circle and chat rooms

Grapevine Report:

- Successful again in January
- Had 65 attendees
- Connie Reagan Blake performed with Carolina Quiroga-Stultz
- Approx. \$840 income
- January was the last large minimum payment for performers
- This month Tim Livengood will be featured along with Antonio Rocha
- March booked Native American storytellers to be marketed alongside Orpheus' March 8th event with the same theme

Online Event Report

Concerts

- New Year's Eve- \$118 income
- January 10th Forty Degrees South
 - \circ Took in \$730.15 total
 - FSGW surplus \$110.57
 - Solved W9 situation with an invoice stating the work was performed in Australia
- January 24th Jaqueline Schwab and Hoyle Osborne
 - o 144 registrants
 - Took in \$1114 total
 - FSGW surplus \$167
 - Money going to performers and tech help
- Feb 4th with John McCutcheon event, FSGW gets a percentage with people who use the FSGW link to purchase tickets to his event
- Mid-Winter Festival Concert Feb 7th with Kinobe, Noa Baum, Eleanor Ellis and Martha Burns
- Feb 21st: Janie Meneely, George Ward, and Lee Murdock

Dance Concerts

- Past Sunday's concert attendance was between 35-40 people with Zoom and Facebook combined
- Money intake TBA
- Two bands scheduled for March 28th
- Canceled March 14th event in order not to compete with Flurry Festival

Orpheus Report

- First workshop
 - Success; had 15 attendees
 - Had two college students
 - Made around \$215
 - o Had request to have Alan do another workshop
- Second workshop
 - Bad turnout; only 5 people
 - One college student

Election Committee Report:

- Now have list of people willing to stay on
- Have number of open positions that no one seems interested in
- Have 2 at large spots
- Willing to stay on
 - \circ Charlie P. president
 - \circ Will treasurer
 - Jim publications chair
 - o Amanda secretary
 - Charlie B. programs chair
 - Jerry (at Large)
- Committee is Renee Brachfeld, Dan Kahn and Dave Casserly, plus Jim Cole (mail) and Jackie Hoglund (electronic) are conducting the election

Discussion of recruiting board members occurred

NEW BUSINESS:

Issue 1: ECD Spring Virtual Ball budget inclusion

- MOTION: We approve the proposal by the ECD program to hold a virtual 2021 Spring Ball and amend the FSGW budget with their proposed budget amounts
 - Vote: Renee moves, Will seconds
 - Resolved: motion passes unanimously

Discussion of FSGW membership in other organizations occurred

Issue 2: Folk Alliance Membership

- MOTION: We approve renewing the FSGW membership in the Folk Alliance at a cost of \$150
 - Vote: Will moves, Charlie B. seconds
- AMENDED: We approve renewing the FSGW annual membership in the Folk Alliance at a cost of \$150
 - Resolved: motion passes

Issue 3: Folk Unlocked Conference - send 3 board members

- MOTION: To send 3 delegates at \$75 each to the 2021 Folk Unlocked Conference of the Folk Alliance International
 - Vote: Jim Gillard moves, Jerry Blum seconds
 - Resolved: motion passes, Charlie Baum abstains (recused)

Discussion of FSGW Ice Cream Social and membership meeting (for March 25th) occurred

Meeting Adjourned at 10:19 pm.

• Vote: Charlie Baum moved, Renee Brachfeld seconded

Date or FSGW Treasurers report of assets – February 1, 2021						
Month end	Wells Fargo	o Vanguard	Fidelity	Total	Invest diff	% Inv diff
02/01/2021	58,058.47	129,013.97	118,010.28	305,082.72	+29,009.02	+13.3%
Again, don't get excited, Wells Fargo includes \$25,109.70 of Sea to Sea NYE income.						
01/04/2021	52,794.77	•	116,715.94			
Don't get all excited, Wells Fargo includes \$19,296.28 of Sea to Sea NYE income.						
12/01/2020	27,346.43	125,928.08	114,143.40	267,417.91	+22,056.25	+10.1%
11/10/2020	26,186.10	122,838.49	111,092.92	260,117.51	+15,916.18	+7.3%
10/05/2020	21,136.34	119,688.20	108,153.37	248,977.91	+9,926.34	+4.5%
08/31/2020	21,815.20	121,517.25	108,884.60	252,217.05	+12,386.62	+5.7%
08/03/2020	23,751.64	117,052.91	106,509.14	247,313.69	+5,546.82	+2.5%
07/06/2020	28,418.41	114,073.75	104,161.83	246,653.99	+220.35	+0.1%
06/02/2020	29,503.20	111,511.23	101,300.54	242,314.97	-5203.46 -	2.4%
05/05/2020	30,650.56	106,193.26	95,963.14	232,806.96	-15,858.83-	7.3%
04/06/2020	34,481.27	100,919.09	90,955.89	226,356.25	-26,140.25	-12.0%
03/25/2020	33,581.81	87,688.84	96,000.54	217,271.19	-34,325.85	-15.7%
03/03/2020	36,344.38	108,885.54	99,980.64	245,210.56	-9,149.05	-4.4%
end of Feb 2020		107,614.57	99,102.66		-11,229.00	-5.2%
pre-drop hi		112,766.67	105,248.56	(total	218,015.23)	0%
1/21/2020	28,619.19	114,403.43	103,821.83	246,844.45	(218,225.26))
12/2019	23,224.46	112,184.47	102,230.49	237,639.42		
11/2019	17,861.62	110,191.15	100,202.95	228,255.72		
10/2019	19,176.85	107,789.58	98,445.01	225,411.44		
09/2019	39,960.56	106,288.85	97,080.95	243,330.36		
06/2019	15,900.81	110,576.98	111,243.31	237,721.10		
Vanguard total withdrawn: \$179,000 Fidelity total withdrawn: \$20,000						
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U	vithdrawals:	9/17/2019	\$6,000 \$5,000	5/28/2019	\$5,000	
5/15/2019	\$10,000	4/25/2019	\$5,000	4/16/2019	\$3,000	
10/23/2018	. ,	10/9/2018	\$20,000	9/20/2018	\$8,000	
9/4/2018	\$5,000	7/25/2018	\$10,000	7/11/2018	\$10,000	
5/24/2018	\$20,000	3/12/2018	\$5,000	12/26/2017	\$8,000	
12/8/2017	\$5,000	11/14/2017	\$5,000	10/6/2017	\$10,000	
9/18/2017	\$10,000	7/28/2017	\$10,000	6/6-7/2017	\$20,000	
Fidelity withdrawals:		9/17/2019 \$5,000.00		8/5/2019	\$10,000.00	
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