



Board Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEETING – February 1, 2022

Charlie Pilzer called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM at the online Zoom meeting. Quorum (at least 8) was established.

Attendees Present:

Charlie Pilzer, *President*
Caroline Barnes, *Vice President*
Amanda Muir, *Secretary*
Charlie Baum, *Programs*
Jim McRea, *Publications*
Noel-Marie Delaney, *Membership*
Jerry Blum, *At-Large*
Alyssa Hemler, *At-Large*
Lucia Schaefer, *At-Large*

Absent:

Will Strang, *Treasurer*

Guests:

Jan Gorbaty
Lisa Null
Joel Bluestein

Approval of Minutes:

- MOTION: To approve Minutes from January 4, 2022 Board Meeting
 - Vote: Jerry Blum moved, Charlie B. seconded
 - Resolved: The minutes of the January 4, 2022 meeting are approved as corrected and entered into the Society records.

President's Report:

- Had several concert events (2 FSGW, 3 sponsored)
- MidWinter mini fest concert is this Sunday
- Charlie has participated in a couple conversations about the WFF
- Joel Bluestein is here to talk about some Glen Echo news
- Charlie P. has worked on an exciting new recording project
- Had a good discussion about FSGW relevance and revitalization
- Charlie feels like he has needed to reach out and ask more people to do things, rather than things working under their own power

Treasurer's Report:

- Will catch us up next month

Events Report:

Concerts – Charlie Baum

- Did not have Johnny Harper joining Elly Winger because he fell ill
 - Had around 40 people in attendance
- Concert with Martin Carthy got postponed twice due to COVID and is now February 26th
- Archie Fisher cancelled due to surgery
- Many concerts have fallen victim to illnesses
- Midwinter musicians have also been canceling and rescheduling due to illness

Washington Folk Festival and Glen Echo Report:

WFF

- Planning has begun; optimistic to have an in-person event this year
- WFF also received a bequest for \$25,000 from the Cliffords
- Program committee met this past Sunday night
- Not planning on using the indoor venues (Ballroom Annex/Chautauqua Stage)
- The puppet company is under new management, and will probably not be using that space; currently looking at an alternative
- Thinking about how to use the ballroom in regulation with COVID guidelines
- Hospitality will be in a new outdoor tented area

Glen Echo

- the programming committee is working with Montgomery County Parks concert series to promote the festival, park, and gigs for artists
- Glen Echo hosting concerts at the park prior to the festival, good marketing opportunities
- Planning on a slightly positive budget

Discussion of the Glen Echo Park relations occurred...

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion of Mid-Winter Festival occurred...

Discussion of Election/Nominations occurred...

Discussion of donation acknowledgments occurred...

Discussion of Memorials/Obituaries in newsletter/ website occurred...

Discussion on reopen/restart COVID 19 occurred...

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion of hiring a Wild Apricot Administrator occurred...

Discussion of FSGW revitalization occurred...

Meeting Adjourned at 10:03 pm.

- Vote: Jim McRea moved, Alyssa seconded

Appendix I: Treasurer's Report

Appendix II: Action Items

Charlie P. – talk with Will budget for Wild Apricot Administrator

Charlie P. - Find video of Loretta of hardanger fiddle for Lisa Null

Jim McRea – create a Scope of Work for Wild Apricot Administrator