



Board Action Summary September and October

For the convenience of members, the Board is providing a summary of actions taken at its September 9th and October 1st 2024 meeting. This summary is not a substitute for the official minutes and record of the meeting, which can be found at <https://www.fsgw2.org/minutes/index.php>

President's Report

Dear Members,

It has been an eventful Fall for FSGW! In September, we hosted a wonderful event honoring the legacy of Mary Cliff. Nearly 100 attendees enjoyed a lovely meal at Ireland's Four Provinces restaurant, listened to speakers and musicians and got to shower Mary with their appreciation for her influence on the DMV Folk community. FSGW also sponsored the Abbot Stage at the Takoma Park Folk Festival. Myself and many other enthusiastic volunteers chatted with both new and known folks and a great time was had by all. At the end of September, we also hosted our annual Getaway; an amazing weekend-long party of folks who love to sing, play and listen to folk music. This is all of course in addition to the wonderful weekly and monthly programming our chairs and volunteers put on such as the English Country Dance, Grapevine Storytelling, Barn Dance, Silver Spring Contra Dance, International Folk Dancing and much more!

In October, Contrastock took the Bumper Car Pavilion by storm with the bands; The Engine Room, The Dam Beavers and Handspring with calling by Will Mentor, Beth Molaro and Scott Higgs. It was a beautiful day and a great time was had by all!

The Board has a number of topics and projects in front of us including discussions around reviving the Washington Folk Festival and beginning preparations for the Mid-Winter Festival. We can only accomplish these large scale events with the help of volunteers and your membership dues. A huge thank you to everyone who has assisted with events in the past and remained a member! If you are interested in being a part of the planning team for either of these festivals, we would love to hear from you!

Chord-ially,

Lucia Schaefer (they/she)

President, Folklore Society of Greater Washington

Please see the below officer reports.

Treasurer's report

- In September, the board approved the fiscal year 2025 budget. In it, FSGW is running a \$28,000 deficit. The board's job now is to increase revenue through event ticket sales and membership dues to resolve this gap.

FSGW FY25 Budget V1 Approved 09/09/2024

Appendix I

v1	01. New	02. Weekly/M	04. ContraSto	05a. Hashdanc	06. Spring	07. Weekly/M	08. Barn	10c. Silver	10d. Other	11. Concerts	12. StoryTelli	13c. Other	15. Getaway	16. Mid-Winte	18. FSGW	19. Membersh	20. Publicatio	Totals	
	Years Eve	onthly	ck	e	Ball	onthly	Dance	Spring	Dance	Events	ng	Events	Weekend	r Festival	Administrative	ip	ns	2025	
	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025
INCOME																			
1 Program Income																			0
Attendee Revenue	6,632	0	7,000	14,000	4,050	19,778		7,200		8,970	4,500		28,000	3,000					103,130
Crafts, Food, Items														300					0
T-Shirt/CD Sales			400	750															1,150
Donations		0	500	800	200	600	0		0	300	0	0		0	12,500	0			14,900
Lieberman (Getaway) Fund													2,000						2,000
Equipment Rents															100				100
Grants					2,556		0												2,556
Membership Subsidy																			0
Total 1 Program Income	6,632	0	7,900	15,550	6,606	20,378	0	7,200	0	9,270	4,500	0	28,000	3,300	12,600	0	0	0	118,636
2 Admin Income																			0
Dividend Income															10,000				10,000
Membership Dues																16,000			16,000
Membership Dues - Paper Mailing																		0	0
Reimbursement Income															0				0
Sponsorships/Adverts																			0
Total 2 Admin Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,000	16,000	0	0	26,000
TOTAL INCOME	6,632	0	7,900	15,550	6,606	20,378	0	7,200	0	9,270	4,500	0	28,000	3,300	22,600	16,000	0	0	144,636
EXPENSES																			
1 Program Expense																			0
Artist Pay	1,200	0	3,300	7,200	1,265	10,539	3,300	6,640	300	6,000	5,000	2,200	0						46,944
Equip Rent/Maint						0													150
Equipment Rental																			150
Miscellaneous		0		200															1,205
Scholarships Awarded													200						0
Sound Technician	300	0	750	1,240	360	240	1,100	1,360	0	1,200	1,000		0						7,310
Supplies/Food/Hosp			50	900	210					900			800	300					3,050
Food Services													450						500
Hospitality Reimbursements	460																		460
Inventory Costs			500	650															1,150
Travel/Transport																			0
Travel - Allowance	400		700		100	45													1,245
Travel - Mileage/Reimbursement																			0
Venue Rental	3,650	0	1,800	3,400	3,350	7,920	1,100	0		1,800	1,000		25,864	4,500	0				49,884
Facility Fee		0		50				0											50
Total 1 Program Expense	6,010	0	7,100	13,640	5,285	18,744	5,500	8,000	300	9,900	7,130	2,200	27,314	4,800	825	0	0	0	111,948
2 Admin Expense																			0
Bank & Service Charge (CC fees)	150	0	230	450	120	482		150		200	180		800						4,262
Charitable Donations																			3,000
Dues & Memberships																			0
Equipment Rent/Maint																			850
Insurance																			0
General Liability Ins																			1,350
Mailings/Postage													0						100
Admin Postage																			0
Other Costs																			0
Election Ballots, Etc																			120
Supplies						180													15
Outreach																			0
Professional Fees																			23,040
Administrative Services																			23,040
Bookkeeping/Audit																			8,400
Audit Fees																			0
Financial Management Svcs																			2,500
Graphic Design Svcs			140	150															9,290
Technical Support																			7,000
Publicity/Printing						80								500					80
Event Publicity	125				50														1,175
Total 2 Admin Expense	275	0	370	600	250	662	0	150	0	200	180	0	800	500	48,875	0	9,000	0	61,362
Website Move																			0
Total Expenses	6,285	0	7,470	14,240	5,535	19,406	5,500	8,150	300	10,100	7,310	2,200	28,114	5,300	49,700	0	9,000	0	173,310
Net Operating Income	347	0	430	1,310	1,071	972	-5,500	-950	-300	-830	-2,810	-2,200	-114	-2,000	-27,100	16,000	-9,000	0	-28,674

Office Report

- Working on contacting lapsed members
- Updating the website and events as directed

Dance Report

- More organizing volunteers are needed for the Silver Spring Dance
- All other regularly occurring dances are going well

Other Updates

- The Mid-winter Festival will be held at Browne Academy (5917 Telegraph Road) on Saturday, March 22nd. Browne is waiving the venue fee and is excited to host this event.
- The Board appointed Betsy Platt as Program Chair and David Shewmaker as Membership Chair. Thank you both for agreeing to join the Board in these roles!

The next meeting is scheduled for **MONDAY, November 4th, 2024, 8pm
Online via Zoom**