

BLUEGRASS MUSIC ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL CANADA

BMACC

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting – May 8, 2010

The Board of Directors Meeting of the Bluegrass Music Association of Central Canada (hereinafter referred to as BMACC) was called to order at 1:15 pm on May, 2010 at the Best Western, Newmarket, Ontario.

Directors Present:

Denis Chadbourn, Leann Chadbourn, Gord De-Vries, Karen May, Rolly Aucoin, Donald Tarte

New Recruits:

Murray Hale and Gloria Hansen

Directors Absent:

Bernie Melosh, Cindy deBoer-Winterbottom, Larry Johnson

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Minutes of February 12, 2010 reviewed and approved.

CARRY-OVER FROM FEBRUARY 12, 2010:

Director Recruits:

As noted in the previous meeting Gloria Hansen and Murray Hale have agreed to fill one of the vacant positions on the Board. Lee Roy has also indicated that he is intending to fill a vacant position but was unable to attend the meeting today due to other commitments.

Promotion of BMACC:

Continued promotion of BMACC through Steve Pritchard and Brian Powley - Denis had not managed to complete that task and will look into it.

Non –Profit Advertising Rates:

Gord has included a notice of Non-profit advertising rates on the BMACC website.

BMACC Representation:

Again discussed BMACC representation at as many festivals as possible, with approval of the Festival Promoters to set up a BMACC table to promote Membership. Each Director knowing what festival they will be attending should approach the festival

promoter first and request approval for this. An email should go out to the promoters if possible offering BMACC's services with setting out flyers on the BMACC table at each venue.

BMACC Notes:

With respect to the Newsletter, Leann obtained the quotes and found that Grand & Toy had the best rates. As for the coloured rates, they are quite costly but we will try to set up the Newsletter so that we could perhaps have the front and back page in colour.

It was also suggested that perhaps the advertising rates should be increased. Again, these issues need to be brought forward to the next meeting.

Reciprocal Band Performance via Bluegrass Clubs:

The idea of creating a forum for regional bands to perform which would include reciprocal events under the clubs using contacts within the Bluegrass clubs to assist was discussed further. Murray Hale agreed to contact the various clubs to promote this idea.

Website Links: A list of Fiddle Camps/organizations was provided to be added to the website.

Manitoba Bands: Communication has been made with several Manitoba Bands who have agreed to look into the advantages for them to join BMACC. Leann will continue to communicate with them.

Grant Programs:

With respect to funding and grant programs – Larry Johnson was not in attendance at this meeting but will hopefully be able to report back at the next meeting.

Country Music Radio Stations - Denis will continue to seek promotion of bluegrass music with the Country Music Radio Stations.

With respect to the OCMA Denis reported that we have not made much headway with the OCMA but will continue to work on it.

Skype access for meetings: Upon looking into the idea of skype for the meetings – it would be too costly to set up the meetings this way and all members would have to be set up for Skype. We could look into conference calls for those members who are unable to attend the meeting. Leann has agreed to look into this further.

BMACC Membership Table: Letter to Festival Promoters - Karen advised that she had not sent out the letter yet but would in the near future.

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NEW BUSINESS:

FINANCIAL POSITION: Treasurer - Rolly Aucoin presented the Financial Statements. Motion to accept by Gord DeVries, Seconded by Karen May – CARRIED

BMACC NOTES: Gord DeVries relayed message from Wes Lowe that he no longer wished to be Editor of the Notes. Gord recommended Leann take the Notes over for the next issue, Leann agreed to take on the job. Seconded by Rolly Aucoin – CARRIED

OCFF: Motion made by Denis to set up a reciprocal advertising arrangement with OCFF. BMACC will submit an advertisement to be inserted in the OCFF Program in return for OCFF ad inserted into the NOTES. Seconded by Gord – CARRIED

ADVERTISING DIRECTOR: Motion made by Gord DeVries for BMACC to generate more advertising in the NOTES. Leann has agreed to take on this position along with the Editorial duties. Seconded by Karen May – CARRIED

VOLUNTEERS: Motion by Gord for each Director to send out letters to each of our contacts to enlist volunteers. Seconded by Leann - CARRIED.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn meeting by Roland Aucoin, Seconded by Karen May - CARRIED

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT

as at May 7/10

OPENING BALANCE	Nov. 20/09		\$310.00
REVENUE	MEMBERSHIPS:		
	INDIVIDUAL	2,060.00	
	ORGANIZATIONAL	700.00	
	ADVERTISING	64.00	
	Outstanding Deposit		
	TOTAL	2,824.00	
DISBURSEMENTS	OFFICE SUPPLIES	364.87	
	SOFTWARE	134.92	
	NEWSLETTER	1569.74	
	OCFF	340.41	
	MEETINGS	101.29	
	AWARDS SPONSOR-OVERALL GROUP		
	IBMA MEMBERSHIP	228.62	
	BK. CHARGES	28.49	
	TOTAL	2,768.34	
Book balance	May 7/10		\$365.66
	Outstanding		
	Wes	223.18	
	Denis	206.00	
	OCFF	111.65	\$540.83
Balance	Bank		-\$175.17