

Marquette Area Blues Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 17, 2012 - The Landmark Inn Board Room – Marquette, MI

Welcome by President Mark Stonerock at 6:30pm

Board Members Present: Charlie Bastian, Dave Crum, Cindy Engle, Mark 'Ham' Hamari, Jeff Kallery, Terry Klavitter, Walt Lindala, Mark Maki, Dave Stensas, and Mark Stonerock

Also Present: Tom Buchkoe, Marshall Killian and two representatives from TKE fraternity invited by Terry Klavitter to inform them of some issues regarding the security performed by them at the Festival

Public comment: none

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approval of the October 17, 2012 agenda -Motion by Dave Crum second by Charlie Bastian to approve as presented/carried

MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the September 19, 2012 Minutes - Motion by Terry Klavitter second by Dave Stensas to accept as presented /Carried

OFFICERS REPORT

President – Mark Stonerock – Gave update on Arts and Culture coordination effort- Possible jam sessions and Halloween party (next year). They may also have information regarding possible grants. Mark would like to have someone to attend their meetings - 2nd Wednesday each month at 5 pm

Vice President - Mark 'Ham' Hamari – Mark noted 2 letters sent out regarding memberships and 1 back so far. He will be attending the mandatory meeting with the City of Marquette regarding recreation funding for use of the Mattson Park for Labor Day 2013.

Secretary – Mark Maki –noted bills recently received wrapping up Festival billing including BMI, Retrivers credit card, JP Electric and paperwork for the sponsorship from Waste Management. He also noted that in December we will be accepting nominations for the Board of Directors. There are 5 members whose terms are coming up. They are Deb Duquette, Mark "Ham" Hamari, Jeff Kallery, Walt Lindala, and Mark Stonerock.

Treasurer - Deb Duquette – not present. The balance in the account as of September 30, 2012 is \$37,108.35. Clarification sought regarding the fraternity cost of \$500.00 or \$1000. Tabled until clarified.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH – Jeff Kallery – Discussion about library events to do.

October 30th at the Library at 7 pm will be the showing of the movie- Red White and Blues regarding the British Invasion.

November 27th possibly UP Gumbo with Bill Hart

EVENTS COORDINATOR- Larry Letts –Larry was not present. Walt Lindala noted the Grady Champion plan for a performance and a blues in the schools event around March 8, 2013. More details on this will be forthcoming to confirm.

UP BLUES AND PROMOTIONS- Terry Klaviiter - Terry noted that the TKE provided two services –setting up the stage and Security- Noted problems with Security issue and also noted that the staging help was very good. He wanted the President and Vice President of the TKE to know of the problem regarding an inappropriate comment and that the security crew was not acting in accord with their expected security roll.

FESTIVAL - Terry Klavitter, Festival Director turned the floor over to Mark “Ham” Hamari as Mark will be taking over as Festival Director pending election results in January.
He noted that he will be setting up a Sponsorship Committee to get a quick start at sponsorship for 2013 and the need for a volunteer coordinator for the 2013 Festival.
We also need to set an entertainment budget to start the entertainment search.
Motion by Terry Klavitter second by Mark Maki to set up \$3,000 for the new Friday evening added to the Festival and \$20,000 for Saturday and Sunday. Carried

Next Festival committee meeting is November 12, 2012 at Mark Stonerock’s house at 6:30 pm

Old Business

President Mark Stonerock noted the need to find a new Treasurer for 2013 as Deb Duquette’s term is up as she has served her two terms.

New Business

Cindy Engle noted the October 19, 2012 event with Biscuit Miller at Flanigan’s Bar has been expanded to be a volunteer/membership thank you and will include Uncle Walt’s Homegrown Blues Jammers - Walt Lindala, Lorrie Hayes, Mark Johnson, Dennis Harold and guests who will play inside at 10:00 pm after Biscuit Miller plays outside in the tent.

Motion made by Dave Crum, second by Dave Stensas to spend \$100.00 to assist in the costs of the event/Carried

Good of the Order:

-Haunted Hayride –HALLOWEEN WEEKEND

-Dave Stensas noted John Lennon tribute event at the Ore Dock – Saturday, Dec 8, 2012

-Studebaker John at the Terrace Bay in Escanaba on Saturday, November 24, 2012 - Doors open at 7pm, Music begins at 8pm - Wendy Pepin does it again

Submitted by

Mark Maki, Secretary-MABS