

# Marquette Area Blues Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday January 15, 2014 – at the Sky Room – Landmark inn, Front St. -Marquette, MI  
Call to order-Welcome by President Mark “Stony” Stonerock at 6:30pm

Board Members Present: Charlie Bastian, Todd Eckstrom, Cindy Engle, Mark ‘Ham’ Hamari, Jeff Kallery, Terry Klavitter, Larry Letts, Walt Lindala, Mark Maki ,Dawn Stonerock, Mark ‘Stony’ Stonerock, and Dave Stensaas.

Others present: Tom Buchkoe, Nina Fiorucci, Mark Johnson and Marshall Killian.

Public comment: None

## AGENDA APPROVAL

January 15, 2014, agenda -Motion by Mark Maki, second by Terry Klavitter to approve, including adding payment of bills for the PO Box rental and membership in the Lake Superior Partnership/Carried

## MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the December 18, 2013 Minutes - Motion by Terry Klavitter second by Todd Eckstrom to approve with the correction that Terry Klavitter was not present at the 12-18-2013 meeting./Carried.

## OFFICERS REPORT

President – Mark”Stony” Stonerock – Once the new Board is seated they should set up a 2014 calendar. Mark again thanked all the people who have made his Presidency such a wonderful experience and is proud of what we have accomplished. Thank you, Stony for the service as President for the past four years, and your effort and wisdom, but you still have more blues in you that’s gotta come out. He thanked Todd Eckstrom and Dave Stensaas for their service on the Board of Directors.

Vice-President - Mark ‘Ham’Hamari – There are two memberships up and so far one renewal and one new member. Sent out information on 2014 Blues Festival Logo contest due by February 28, 2014.

Secretary – Mark Maki- Monthly bank statement forwarded to Dawn Stonerock. Mark asked who he should email the minutes to be put on the website and was advised to send them to Terry Klavitter, when approved.

Treasurer’s Report-Dawn Stonerock – Current Fund balances as follows \$302.68 in savings, \$ 2359.50 in checking and \$40,601.76 in the money market for a total of \$43,263.94.

Motion by Mark Maki seconded by Mark Hamari to approve the Treasurers report/Carried

Motion by Terry Klavitter second by Charlie Bastian to move our financial account to SIR Federal Credit Union effective as soon as possible/Carried

PO Box rental \$60.00 per year - Motion by Terry Klavitter, second by Mark Hamari to pay for the PO Box rental /Carried

Lake Superior Community partnership - 1 year membership fee - Motion by Larry Letts second by Terry Klavitter to table/Carried

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH – Jeff Kallery – No program in December or January 2014.

EVENTS COORDINATOR - Larry Letts – He is working on something for February.

UP BLUES AND PROMOTIONS – Walt Lindala- The year end issue of Blues News has been mailed out.

FESTIVAL COMMITTEE –Mark” Ham” Hamari- Festival Chair- Events committee did meet and has some names to consider as headliners. Mark Stonerock, Festival entertainment chair noted the Jimmy’s are out as they not available for the Friday night event.

Survey results-Dave Stensaas was present to report on the Festival survey results.

He said he submitted the questions to the Board before they were finalized. It was noted a different approach in separating them from the program probably caused the fewer responses and in the future we should insert them for better results.

**Election held for the seven Board of Directors positions.**- Tom Buchkoe suggested that we consider just making the Board of Directors 15 members instead of 13 - Motion by Todd Eckstrom second by Mark Hamari to approve the change to allow nine new Board of Directors and that the nine members who are running be approved. Carried

The new Board of Directors members are elected to two year terms as follows:

1. Charlie Bastian
2. Tom Buchkoe
3. Dave Crum
4. Cindy Engle
5. Nina Fiorucci
6. Mark Johnson
7. Marshall Killian
8. Mark Maki
9. Terry Klavitter

Current Board members are

1. Mark Hamari
2. Jeff Kallery
3. Larry Letts
4. Walt Lindala
5. Dawn Stonerock
6. Mark Stonerock

Total 2014 Board of Directors -15 Members

**Nomination for Officers**

Treasurer Dawn Stonerock has one more year as Treasurer as this is her first year as Treasurer.

President- Mark Maki nominated Mark ‘Ham’ Hamari for President, second by Dawn Stonerock/Carried

Vice President- Mark Stonerock nominated Cindy Engle, second by Terry Klavitter/Carried

Secretary- Walt Lindala nominated Larry Letts for Secretary, seconded by Mark Maki/Carried

Old Business: None

New Business:

**Good of the order: Upcoming Events**

Holmes Brothers- February 14, 2014 at Northern Michigan University

Experience Hendrix-March 14- Milwaukee March 16 - Chicago

Jack White project on Paramount- blues

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Submitted by Mark Maki, Secretary

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