Marquette Area Blues Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 21, 2012 - The Landmark Inn Board Room – Marquette, MI Welcome by Vice President Mark 'Ham" Hamari at 6:30pm

Board Members Present: Charlie Bastian, Dave Crum, Deb Duquette, Cindy Engle, Mark 'Ham' Hamari, Jeff Kallery, Walt Lindala, and Mark Maki

Public comment: none

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approval of the November 21, 2012 agenda -Motion by Cindy Engle second by Charlie Bastian to approve as presented/carried

MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the October 17, 2012 Minutes - Motion by Dave Crum second by Cindy Engle to accept as presented /Carried

OFFICERS REPORT

President - Mark Stonerock - not present-

<u>Vice President - Mark 'Ham' Hamari</u> – Mark noted 16 new memberships from the Biscuit Miller event in the tent at Flanigan's Bar. The event was a great success and a thank you to Cindy Engle and to Don and Pam Marple, owners of Flanigan's Bar for a great event.

Mark and Walt Lindala attended the meeting with the City Manager and discussed our needs and continued use of the Mattson Lower Harbor Park. They thanked the City for its support of our event.

<u>Secretary – Mark Maki</u> –noted three letters picked up today. They were: a letter from the City of Marquette regarding a meeting on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, from 5:30-6:30 PM - Walt and Mark "Ham" Hamari to attend.

A letter from CUPPAD addressed to Wayne Dickinson (past Board member who worked on CUPPAD grants) Mark to forward and or follow up

A letter from Bess Holloway from Boulder Colorado regarding Minnesota 's centennial celebration in 1958 and a Norwegian composer Harold Saeverud who composed a song -Symphony #8 Minnesota (37 minutes) and a 1999 recording of the song made by a Swedish Company (BIS Records- BIS www,bis.se)

Nominations for the Board of Directors need to be made at the December meeting which will be Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 6:30 pm. There are 5 positions on the Board of Directors open for nomination at that meeting. Nominees have to agree in writing or in person at the meeting to be eligible for the January 16, 2013 election. Notice to all members need be done electronically by Terry Klavitter as Website contact.

<u>Treasurer's report- Deb Duquette</u> - clarified that the TKE security cost at the festival was \$500 and has been noted in the September report. Motion by Mark Maki seconded by Dave Crum to accept the September financial report as amended/Carried

Deb also provided a report showing the current balance of \$ 34,632.43 as of October 31, 2012. Motion by Mark Maki second by Dave Crum to approve the financial report/Carried

Deb also noted that the 2012 taxes have been filed. A thank you to Patrick Thompson for his help

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH – Jeff Kallery</u> – reported on not securing an act for the Library for the November 27th, 2012 date due to the travelling of some of the Band members of UP Gumbo over the holidays. No December activity planned due to the Christmas holidays.

<u>EVENTS COORDINATOR- Larry Letts</u> –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.

<u>UP BLUES AND PROMOTIONS- Terry Klaviiter</u> - Terry not present.

<u>FESTIVAL</u> - Mark "Ham" Hamari updated the members on the first entertainment meeting and that Mark Stonerock will be checking on the availability and costs on various acts. Sponsorship Committee also had a meeting to discuss options

Old Business

None

New Business

Logo contest entries to be received by February 1, 2013

Christmas gift exchange at December BOT meeting - bring a gift and get a gift for those who wish to participate

<u>Presentation-about the blues -</u> Dave Crum gave a presentation on Gregg Allman and his life which is presented in a book. Dave also provided some music and his presentation was very interesting.

Good of the Order:

- -John Lennon Tribute event at the Ore Dock Marquette on Spring Street Saturday, Dec ember 8, 2012
- -Studebaker John at the Terrace Bay in Escanaba on Saturday, November 24, 2012 Doors open at 7pm
- -Possible presentation by Charlie Anderson regarding fundraising-sponsorships in December
- -Bowling for the Blues- possible winter event
- -Charlie Bastian noted a Michael Bloomfield story on his Facebook page for those interested

Motion to adjourn by Cindy Engle second by Charlie Bastian at 8 pm/ Carried

Submitted by Mark Maki, Secretary-MABS