Minutes of WMJS Board Meeting February 27, 2019

Members present: Michelle, John, George, Jerry, Mary, Kat, Shannan

Members absent: Diego, Tim, Peni

Guest: Barb

- 1. It was moved by George, seconded by Mary, and passed to approve the January 23, 2019 minutes.
- 2. Gumbo review: Things are going well, the chairs will be arranged for the next concert to eliminate a large part of the dance floor, the food was well received.
- 3. Membership drive and MOY reveal party: The event went well. Remaining membership cards will be dealt with by mail to bring them into a unified renewal date. The SpeakEZ Lounge has a good relationship with us and we will consider holding future events there.
- 4. New contract with musicians: We need a new cancellation policy. Things to consider are: when an event gets cancelled, reschedule possibilities, out of town musicians, are musicians already on the road when cancellation occurs.
- 5. Scholarship: It was moved by Jerry and seconded by Mary to approve \$300 for the Jazz Festival for all future years automatically, subject to change based on the financial needs of WMJS. The motion passed.
- 6. Education: It was moved by George and seconded by John to honor Eric Wendtlandt Sr with the Bruce Early Educator Award and hold a party/reception in the summer. The motion passed. Details to be determined.
- 7. Grants from the Musician's Union: Mary will investigate for next season.
- 8. Request from Tim Froncek and Blue Lake: We have been asked to support foreign travel for Blue Lake students at \$1500 to \$2000. The board will consider this at a future meeting.
- 9. Request from Tim to fund (\$200) a speaker from Germany for a Jazz Journal that Grand Valley is hosting. John moved and Kat seconded a motion to support this and the board approved it.
- 10. Progressions Jazz Series: There will be an event promo/rehearsal at Richard App's studio on March 4 with the first event being March5, a Mardi Gras affair.
- 11. Jazz in the Park at Millennium Park: John presented information on digital billboards as a way to advertise the event. John moved and George seconded a proposal to use 2 billboards for 4 weeks beginning on June 1. The motion passed.
- 12. Strategic Planning: The tentative date is April 27. Details will be decided.
- 13. New board members: Shannan will talk to Jim Reed about filling out Noelle's position. Current board members are asked to consider additional members.
- 14. The meeting was adjourned. Next board meeting is 3-27-19 at 5:30 at Cooper's Landing