

WMJS Board Meeting Minutes

March 27th 2019

Coopers Landing

Meeting called to order by Shannan Denison

Board Members Present: Shannan Denison, Kat Jones, Jim & Peni Reed, Diego Morales, Tim Froncek, John Miller and Jerry Scott

Absent: Michelle Needham, Mary Rademacher Reed, George Zuiderveen

Guest: Dan Olhman

Shannan asked everyone to introduce themselves, their position on the board and where they are in their terms:

Kat Jones: Vice President/Membership Chair 1 year remaining

Tim Froncek: Education 1st term ends in June

Peni Reed: Events/Asst to Treasurer

Jim Reed: Treasurer and term ending in June 2021

Jerry Scott: Programs term ends 6/21

Diego Morales: FB updates/Social Media 1st year on the board

Old Business:

Minutes from February. Peni made a motion and Kat seconded the Feb Minutes as presented.

Financials Jan and Feb: There should be a big influx in January with memberships as it happens January receivables should be 6K owed to make it even for January. Determined that Kat needs help sending out letters for membership renewal. Shannan will help Kat with mail merging, etc. Goal is to have them out by 1st week of April.

Progressions Jazz: Improvements can be made. Will consider it as part of our programs in the future. Keep the topic on the table. Maybe start up again in Fall.

Gumbo Review: We need to promote it more. Mary Rad will be the last one in April. Jim will write an email invite to be sent out to the membership. Casino club will be remodeling in the summer. If we can get our #'s up to 150 or more, Gumbo would be a profitable event for WMJS. Jim will talk to Scott about the dance floor in front of the stage and circle around with tables.

Tim will speak to college students about a possible WMJS internship of clerical tasks, etc.

Jim will email everyone a budget (blank) and ask everyone to guesstimate. He made adjustments to the venue for Gumbo because of the new Casino Club. Each board member is to write a new budget based on their focus on the board

New Business:

Education/Scholarship Fund: 65K principle John guessing about 5K a year to give away every year

Have Greg Wells send an invoice for their ongoing fund to have WMJS underwrite students for jazz camp.

Tim is suggesting we give Blue Lake Fine Arts camp an annual scholarship to go to international summer. Tim will do a write up for next month.

Jazz in the Park Line Up:

June 10th- East Kentwood Jazz Band -Jim Ross - james.ross@kentwoodps.org June 17th- Scott Veenstra - scott.veenstra@gmail.com June 24th - Susan Morris/Bluem Monk - smbluemonk@gmail.com July 1 - Kat Jones - ravkatm@gmail.com July 8 - Starrynight Octet /Mathew Lintula - matl@att.net

July 15th - Michael Doyle/ Evidence - evidence90@hotmail.com July 22nd - Mary Rademaker - maryradreed@gmail.com

July 29th-Gustavo Cortinas Fouilloux - gustavocortinasmusic@gmail.com

August 5th - Paul Keller - kellermusic@comcast.net August 12th - Bob Nixon - GRJO - grjolive@gmail.com

Shannan will send pdf to rest of board.

Some discussion about 4th of July week. This year the 4th falls on a Thursday. Jim will check with Millenium Park.

John is meeting with the billboard people on Thursday, March 28th. John suggests starting Monday the 29th. Shannan will send the logo to Michelle and Peni.

Shannan will write a press release with the gigs and dates for Jazz in the Park. (ONCE FINALIZED)

Shannan recommended tabling the strategic planning for the new board beginning in July of 2019.

Motion that Jim Reed takes over Noelle Frost's board term ending in 2021. Tim Seconded, all in favor.

Kat presented Jake Vanderheyden as a potential board member. We have room for 12 board members.

John will check with Beacon Hill to see if the \$250 longest drive sponsorship is available for the golf outing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Shannan Denison