East Bay Banjo Club Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday, April 9, 2017 Place: Round Table Pizza Parlor

Board Members Present: Jack Starr, President; Diana Starr, Secretary; Rich Combs, Treasurer; Karen Hefter, Music Director; Larry Risner, Past President; John Geitzer,

Vice President; Bob Ehrhorn, Booking Agent;

Committee Members Present: Sheila Welt, Chris Lardge, Diane Malucelli, and John Greitzer

Guests: Bob Malucelli, Ardie Jarrett, and Guy Black

The board meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm. The minutes had been read and a motion to accept the minutes as written was made by John and seconded by Karen. The minutes were approved.

Rich gave the treasurer's report. We have refunded \$350.00 for a borrowed club banjo. Three people owe for gold vests. The balance in the checking account is \$9910.04. Bob E. made a motion to accept the report seconded by John. Motion Carried.

Vice president

Music Director – Karen reported that there will be no practice next Sunday, April 16th due to Easter Sunday. We have been invited to perform in September but do not know if we are going to accept. Bob E. will talk to the people regarding this gig. Karen will email the list of music they requested. Booking Agent – Bob went to Alamo to check out the surroundings. It is large enough for 19 people and we have 15 attending. There are only five parking spots so try to carpool. We need to be at the park by 8:00 am. It was asked if it is going to rain.

The answer was an expected 10% but we would be protected by the gazebo. We are to put our banjo cases etc on benches, off the stage. The attire is gold vests and hats. Rich asked if we could have an email sent with all this information. Bob will do this.

 $Past\ President-no\ report$

Committee reports;

 $Hospitality-no\ report$

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Membership – Chris reported that a peaceful transfer of power has taken place. He has all the files now. Rich asked if we have dropped people if they have not paid their membership. Chris will check on that. Karen asked if we will get a new roster and the answer was yes.

Editor – John reported that next week the newsletter will go out and he will need messages from the Music Director and the President.

Old Business:

Regarding Banjorama, Sheila asked what time we would play. Karen said she would announce all the information at practice time. There will be 27 performing and six mics will be provided. We will be in Ballroom A on the main stage and then in the Lodge room without a stage.

Banjo inventory was discussed. We have six banjos. One tenor banjo and five plectrum banjos. Jack says we should have a custodian for the banjos, a designated individual for the banjos and also a custodian for the gold vests. Bob E. suggested we ask for volunteers at the practice and Jack will do that.

New Business:

The room set up was discussed. Jack asked for ideas on how to best set up the practice sun is shining into player's faces. Bob E. asked why do we need to be facing the audience. Karen said they are our loyal audience. Chris suggested we have three options. We asked Bob M. about this and he said mainly he needs help putting the tables etc back to original places. Sheila made the comment that we would need a standing committee appointed to keep the extra banjos and the gold vests. These would be appointed chairs. Jack decided to ask for volunteers and that we not need a motion.

Regarding gold vests, we asked Ardie how many gold vests we have. Ardie presented a copy of the inventory of polo shirts and gold vests. After discussion regarding the ordering of more gold vest fabric, it was decided that Diana would call the seamstress in Arizona and ask if she is will order the fabric and sending it directly to her.

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Bud reported that we have the pizza parlor reserved for the last Sunday in April and all of May. There will be no practice the next two Sundays due to Easter and Banjorama.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Starr, Secretary