

ARTS NORTHWEST MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

1. Call to Order: 10:20 (thanks Charlie and Andy for helping to quiet the masses)

Welcome from Kristine. Encouragement to visit colleagues and other venues.

2. Introduction of current Board Members

3. Approval of 2017 Membership Minutes- Mark McCrary 1st/2nd Charlie Robin - unanimously passed.

4. Treasurer's Report-Steve Schrepferman, Board Treasurer

-Organization is financially sound. We are in good shape.

Geoffrey Castle 1st/ Margot Holmes 2nd - Unanimously passed.

Discussion/Request- please send financials as soon as possible before the conference.

5. Executive Director Report

-Last 4 years our memberships have increased 8-10% increase in artists and organizations.

-Goals for upcoming year. Potentially confirm the opportunity to move the Oregon conference from Eugene to Portland 2021. Airfare may be less to Portland, but hotel will be higher. Boise conference expense is also increasing and looking at options. Spokane 2020.

-Goals- working on webinar for a successful application to showcase.(showcase panel should document what elements made it successful).

-Members, please provide feedback so that we can enhance our conference.

6. Nomination of Board of Directors- Kristine Bretall, President

Kristine thanks board members that have terms expiring. Dyno Wahl, Tien Hsieh, Steve Schrepferman, Una Loughran

NOMINATED FOR ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- John Zirkle, Gallatin Gateway
- Michelle Fujii, Portland, OR
- Brandi Newton, Treasurer, Idaho Falls, ID
- Palmer Davis, Encino, CA

Karen Hanan 1st/ Donna Smith 2nd- Unanimously approved

RETURNING AND CONTINUING BOARD MEMBERS 2018

- Kristine Bretall, President, Sun Valley, ID
- Jill Barnes, Vice President, Olympia, WA
- Laura Forbes, Secretary, Anchorage, AK
- David Epley, Seattle, WA
- Ray Solley, Bend, OR

Robbi K is interested in potentially serving on the board.

Donna Smith 1st/ Robbi K 2nd- Unanimously approved.

Questions about Bylaws and board make-up. We should follow up and share that portion with the membership.

Karen H. brought up the question of equity and inclusion and where we are going with this as an organization and board. Kristine responded that we are actively recruiting for our membership and board members and juried showcases.

Arts WA specified that the arts are in general more representational of diversity in our communities. Asking where we are in the work. We don't expect people to solve the problems of equity and inclusion, but where are we on this journey? Tell us what you are doing- nothing is "solved" but it needs to be front and center.

Andy- was not just talking about genre and artist, but geography, racial diversity, etc....

Sam reiterated that she wants everyone to feel welcome here and start conversations about diversity, equity and inclusion.

7. Other Business

8. Questions/Comments-

Patricia Morrison (Medford, OR) Idea to open showcases to the community. Exposure to communities. Charlie Robin said we are "the worst possible audience" and would set a bad example to our audience. IBMA adds a "festival" to the end of their conference to sell tickets to. (raise money and bring community in)

Adjourn 10:56 am.