

NORTH DAKOTA FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS

Fall Board Meeting (Draft)

September 24, 2022 – 1:00 pm

Virtual Zoom Platform

Roll Call: Alpha Roeszler, Kris, Brugamyer, Robyn Vinje, Carol Tschakert, Pat Grantier, Effie Carr, Carma Kulish, Ann Holman, Carolyn Nelson, Elaine Einerson, Jill Post

Minutes of the Spring Board Meeting, May 7, 2022

Minutes were shared on screen. Deb Eraas' name was corrected to the correct spelling.

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Robyn and seconded by Carol. Motion passed.

Financial Reports – Kris Brugamyer

The Year-End Financial Report

We ended up \$1,789.78 to the good on the Budget side. The Overall non budget change was minus \$4,482.51. The overall change for the year was minus \$2,692.73. Our total assets as of May 31, 2022 was \$72,498.60.

The Junior Division Fund

The Total Income was \$23,064.94. The Total Expense was \$25,328.98. This does not include the facility expense for Fargo which will come later. The Total Change was minus \$2,264.04 excluding Fargo's facilities expense. We had 1,420 actual entrants, and 1,473 paid entrants, which was down from past years.

Membership

Total members 2021-2022 was 2,153 which was up from 1,660 in 2020-2021.

Financial Report for 06/01/22 to 09/22/22

Net Worth Report showed total assets of \$68,874.92, which is an overall change of minus \$3,623.68.

Audit Report – Carol Tschakert

Carol reviewed Kris' financial records over a period of a few weeks in September. A few tiny discrepancies were found and corrected. Carol praised Kris' work as treasurer, and we gave her the accolades she deserves for doing such detailed, extensive, and time consuming work at such a high standard.

Motion to approve the corrected audit report was made by Robyn and seconded by Ann. Motion passed.

2022-2023 Roster Updating

The roster was updated. Only past presidents who are living will be listed from now on.

Susan Clambey will be asked to be corresponding secretary. Eileen Geske will be asked to be chaplain again.

Prairie Rose Editor

Jill will put the Prairie Rose Notes together again with Alpha proofing. Pat will send in an article about awards that have upcoming due dates.

American Women Composers

Pat will keep this duty.

Parade of American Music

We need to find someone to fill this position.

Choral Music

Jill will take over this position.

Crusade for Strings is now changed to Celebrate Strings

We need someone.

International Music Relations

Alpha asked Ann to take this position.

Music in Schools/Colleges

Robyn is off this position.

National Music Week Essay

Long, long....discussion on this topic. Pat will help judge if others work on advertising. Lots of ideas for informing everyone of this contest. Alpha will send out a reminder of this January 1st deadline.

New Gold Cup Chair – Pam Jangula

Replacing State Junior Festival Chair (Effie Carr's position)

Effie will keep this position through Festival season of 2023.

Public Relations

Rosa Rogers is not active anymore, so we took her off this position.

Junior Composer Report - Sharon Wesbrook

There were 23 students who participated this past year. They loved the venue so they will continue next year at the University of Wisconsin in River Falls. They are planning to grow the Carole Flatau Fund. Kris read three thank you notes.

Ann reported on Williston's own composer's camp and wondered if our State Federation could help support it. We discussed it at length and were very supportive of the idea.

IMC Report – Tim Baumann

There were 946 campers this past summer. They ran all the programs as planned. They were a little short on staff but it worked alright because of a decrease in camper numbers. The base tuition will remain at \$600 for 2023.

This is the 125th year of the National Federation so Carolyn suggested giving extra funds to these scholarships as part of this celebration.

Kris reminded us that up to \$2,000 from the State Federation is available for the IMC scholarships. The state will pay up to %75 of the total of \$600.

Junior Festival Report – Effie Carr

No activity until the first of the year. There are five districts that are using Vivace for the Festival. Two are onboarding: Grand Forks and Williston. Devils Lake, Minot, and Valley City are still not signed up. Kris would like to have some access to parts of the Vivace platform so she can reconcile numbers.

Gold Cup Report – Bonnie Stromme

No news.

State Web Site Report – Carol Tschakert

The pages are built, and Carol is working on the menu. The site should be up and running very soon.

State Historian – Carma Kulish

Carma will have some information to put on the website eventually. Carol will send Carma the history that was on the old website. The State Archives have some of our information that is digitized.

Federation Day Report

Effie brought treats to the Federation Day and enjoyed seeing the Roughrider award posthumously presented to Dr. Utgaard.

NCR Report

Pat reported that Mary Wescott, past president of Minnesota, was nominated to be our regional vice president and will be voted in at the Norfolk Convention.

NFMC Convention Report (Effie Carr's report in folder) plus Carolyn Nelson

A dues increase or restructure was discussed. A \$2 increase might be coming up for 2023-2024 with a possible \$2 more the year after bringing the national dues up to \$10.

Ann wonders who to contact to get information about tax exemption. Duane Langley is the person to contact, and Kris will send the address to Ann.

Carolyn is co-chair of the 125th Anniversary Celebration Committee.

Effie made a motion to put the payment of judges for the Festival on the agenda.

Jill seconded. Motion passed.

Kris reported we are paying \$150 a day or \$20 an hour. The Festival is billing between 350 - 400 hours. Between \$500 - \$600 is being reported for mileage at \$.25 a mile. If we raise our judge's hourly rate to \$25 an hour the expenses would go up close to \$1,100. If we raise the mileage by \$.05 that would add an additional \$100 a year. If we raise both we would be adding around \$1,200 more in expenses per year. We would then need to raise our fees a dollar from \$14 to \$15 to stay even.

Jill moved that we raise the judge's hourly rate to \$25 with \$150 (which includes 6 hours) for a full day. Ann seconded. Motion passed.

Kris recommends that we keep the Festival fee at \$14 to see how it all works out.

NDFMC Convention in Fargo – Alpha Roeszler

Alpha reported that the convention will be held April 27 – 29, 2023. All the meetings and programs will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Fargo. Clubs need to keep a list of deceased members from 2019 – 2023 to be memorialized at 2023 convention.

Nomination Committee – volunteers or suggestions

Carma will help. At least one more person is needed. Ann will be a back up if someone from the east can't be found.

Robyn moved to adjourn the meeting. Effie seconded, and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,
Jill Post, Secretary