

Wausau Pro Musica Board Meeting April 7, 2020

Via ZOOM

Call to Order – Dixie

Meeting called to Order at 6:02 PM

Members Present: Dixie, Judy, Shelly, Liz, Wendy, Barb, Linda

Excused: Jeannie

Invited Guest: Karen Zuidema

1. Minutes of March 3, 2020 Meeting – Dixie

Board Action: Minutes Approved via ratification

2. Treasurer's Report – Wendy

Checking	\$ 516.92
Savings	10,000.00
Total	<u>\$10,637.40</u>

Board Action: Judy made motion to approve the treasurer's report; second by Linda and passed by voice vote. (Treasurer's Report Approved after Board approval of Agenda item #3)

The \$516.92 in checking is the balance after paying Judy and Tatiana to fulfill their contracts. We will still owe the UPS store for printing of the posters and save-the-date cards. Dixie and Wendy to ascertain how not holding the concert will impact our bottom line.

3. Payment of Tatiana's hourly contract – Dixie/Wendy

Board Action: Linda made motion to pay Tatiana for the rest of the season; second by Barb and approved by voice vote.

4. Options for May 8 concert – Dixie/Judy

Board Action: Wendy made motion to cancel the May 8th concert; second by Shelly and approved by voice vote.

Board Action: Linda made motion that Judy's obligation to WPM would end when her contract expires at the end of May; second by Barb and approved on voice vote.

Dixie to contact GSLC to let them know of our cancellation and to request \$50 building useage deposit back; Dixie to contact What's the Buzz to cancel video-recording; Dixie to notify Kartika that her services are not needed for running audio for the concert and we will not need volunteers to help serve refreshments.

Music from the May concert to be collected in the Fall—Dixie to let Donna know and assist with collecting the music.

By general consensus, we will continue holding the ZOOM group meetings without attempting rehearsal of any music; these ZOOM “happy hours” will be from 6-7 PM on Tuesdays March 14 and 21 and then we will reassess. These have been great community-building opportunities and Karen expressed that they help her get to know everyone.

Judy to notify Mary (web-maven) to post cancellation of our concert on our website and facebook. Judy to provide Mary with information on our mentees so we can honor them and apprise the public of our continued commitment to our mentorship program. Barb to provide Mary with some sound bytes from our previous concerts to create continued interest in our group and pre-publicity for our upcoming Christmas concert. Barb/Judy to work on PR via facebook challenge/contest where members can post themselves singing or lip syncing. Dixie to provide Mary with info announcing our new Artistic Director, Karen.

By general consensus, we will hold the May 12 business meeting via ZOOM. The only pressing agenda item is to elect a new Board member. Linda will be retiring from the Board when her term is up in August and Kathy Koch-Engstrum has agreed to be nominated to replace her. Dixie to send out agenda one week prior to the meeting as stated in our bylaws.

The plans for the May 12 good-by party for Judy will be postponed; we will host a good-by party when the shelter-at-home guidelines are lifted and we can work out a time to our mutual satisfaction. Dixie to notify Linn and Patti regarding the change in plans (they are the co-chairs for organizing the good-by party).

The membership to be apprised of these decisions via the Newsletter which Dixie and Judy will send in a timely manner.

5. Transition to New Artistic Director – Judy/Karen

Judy and Karen reported this has been going well. They have been in contact and Judy has been transferring her files. Since we will not be able to physically audition high school girls for our Fall mentorship program, Judy advised Karen to target 4 girls that Karen has had previous experience with and offer them the experience. Karen will begin selecting literature for the Christmas concert and Shelly will provide her with programs from the past 4-5 years so she can see what has been done. Dixie to provide Karen with Olivia’s email information so Karen can arrange to get into the WCM to get samples of the music; Karen has been provided with our digital database.

6. Signature Fundraiser slated for Spring 2021 – Dixie/Liz/Barb/Shelly

Board Action: By consensus, it was decided to table any decision at this time.

Dixie to contact Debi and Kathy for input as to whether we can garner enough business and community support to go ahead with this. The Board is hoping we will have more information in another month to decide whether to move forward with this fundraising event, put a hold on it or change to some other type of fundraiser. We would hope to increase our income through the letter writing campaign in the Fall, possibly targeting some of the business and personal sponsors who contributed to our first Signature Fundraiser (if we decide to hold off for Spring 2021). Debi and Kathy to be invited to the next Board meeting for input and an update.

Next meeting date May 5, 2020 at 6:00 PM via ZOOM. Will invite Debi and Kathy, Co-chairs of the Signature Fundraising Committee.

Respectfully Submitted, Dixie Hettinga – Acting Secretary