

Central Indiana Folk Music and Mountain Dulcimer Society
Minutes of the April 12, 2009 Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m. by President Steve Kessinger.

Board members present were Steve Kessinger, Phil Slates, Dave Wensits, Amy Raab, Dave Slates, and Ruth Slates.

The March, 2009 Secretary's Report was approved on a motion by Phil Slates, seconded by Dave Wensits.

The May 2009 Treasurer's Report was presented by Dave Wensits.

1. We will be notifying all dropped members by mail.
2. The Treasurer will do necessary filing in May, including the annual ASCAP fee of \$219 and the Business Entity Report of \$10 (due in June).
3. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented on a motion by Phil Slates, seconded by Ruth Slates.

The Music Coordinator's Report was presented by Dave Slates.

1. We have a (gratis) gig on May 2: Riley Wrangler's Arts and Crafts Show in Greenfield (Hancock Co.). The event runs all day; we will be playing indoors from 1:00-2:00 pm.
2. The CIFM&MDS will play a set at the Midwest Mandolin Festival on June 6.
3. Another gig at the VA Hospital; May 3, 9:30am, Eric Fricke in charge.

Ruth Slates and Phil Slates reported on the Eagle Creek Committee's progress.

1. Flyers are now printed and ready, with info for the Midwest Mandolin Festival on one side and info for the CIFM&MDS Folk Festival on the other.
2. New this year, a special registration mailing form for participants.
3. Confirmation receipts will be given for those registering.
4. The May meeting is the deadline for registering for this event.
5. Dmitri Alano may be offering penny whistle workshops, Irish jam sessions.
6. We have a potential headliner: Kara Barnhardt (proprietor of The Weed Patch in Nashville, IN). We are waiting to hear if she is able to come.
7. We have a backup headliner: Jeff Davis of Bluestone Music School.
8. We are considering contracting with Arthur's Music Store for a lot of pennywhistles to have available for us to sell (for Dmitri's workshops).
9. A new feature of the festival: Recognizing society members who have achieved 30 years of continuous membership. Those members will receive a plaque.
10. We will also give a "DulSoc" award for society members who have gone above and beyond the call of duty. Possibly winners will be chosen by ballot.

Our new and current Songbook is now completed and available as of April, 2009.

1. The Revised Main Songbook now includes lyrics, chords and music notation for all songs.
2. The current price is \$25 per book.
3. President Steve Kessinger and the Board thanked Dave Wensits for taking on the enormous responsibility of updating our songbook. The entire society will benefit from his work.

Steve Kessinger presented a new topic for discussion: Is the CIFM&MDS doing enough to promote folk music to the next generation?

1. Specifically the 20-30 year old age group is barely represented in our musical genre.
2. Ruth Slates suggested a workshop to brainstorm networking ideas; we'll discuss the issue in later meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 pm. Steve Kessinger made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Dave Slates.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Raab

Secretary