

March 9, 2014
Monthly Board Meeting of MoRivCC

The meeting, held at the Columbia Public Library, began at 1:37 p.m. and ended at 3:15 p.m.

Board Members (a quorum was present): Kierah Cash, Mike Cooper, John Clark, Gary Hildebrandt, Dennis Dye, Michael Stacy, Madeleine Lightfoot. Absent: Pam Forbes.

Volunteers Present: Liz Mitchell, Joy Rushing, Jim Robertson.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Madeleine read minutes of the February 9th meeting. Kierah moved to approve, Mike Cooper seconded, and minutes were approved unanimously.

Financial Report. John reported the current bank balance is \$ 2,661.80, with no outstanding bills. Kierah donated the MoRivCC banner that was recently purchased. Not included in the bank balance are donations of \$130 from a few of our supporters plus additional donations presented during the meeting.

The group discussed setting up a database to capture donor information. Mike Cooper suggested we could add this to the administrative side of the website.

Board Memberships. Mike Cooper moved to add Jim Robertson to the board, Kierah seconded, and Jim was approved unanimously.

John Clark moved to add Joy Rushing to the board, Mike Cooper seconded, and Joy was approved unanimously.

Officer Elections. Following a brief discussion, Jim moved to elect the following slate of officers:

Michael Stacy, President
Gary Hildebrandt, Vice President
John Clark, Treasurer
Madeleine Lightfoot, Secretary

Kierah seconded the motion, and the officers were approved unanimously.

The website "contacts" will need to be updated with new officers and board members, and additional contact information (telephone numbers) for board members will be emailed.

Kierah asked John to update the bank account, with the credit card in Michael Stacy's name.

New Office. Michael Stacy, who has been renting office space at the Stephens Building for several years, said there is one office space available there for \$130 per month, including utilities and parking. It is an 8' x 13' space, with outer doors open till 6:00 p.m. We would have to sign a lease for a year, but if a better/larger space becomes available during the term of the lease, we would have first option to move. We have permission to use a conference room in the building for meetings. Initial cost would be \$240: \$10 application fee, \$100 deposit, and \$130 first month's rent. The space is available now, and the landlord is supposed to notify Michael if others show interest in it.

Other office spaces have been viewed, including shared space with other non-profits, but none is as accessible, workable, and affordable. We would like to cap our total monthly cost at about \$200, to include internet service. John suggested we might also need to purchase renter's insurance.

Discussion followed regarding benefits of having an office in Columbia, and the consensus was that it is time to make a move. Jim Robertson made a motion to authorize Michael Stacy to negotiate a lease at the Stephens Building. Joy seconded, and the authorization was approved unanimously.

Mike Cooper has already done some research on internet access, and Nathan Smith has agreed to assist him. Joy Rushing moved to authorize Mike to follow up with Tranquility and other providers to settle on internet access for the office. Kierah seconded, and authorization was approved unanimously.

Work Group and Committee Reports. Mike Cooper gave the reports.

Website. Mike Robertson has added subject threads on the blog. Michael Stacy asked that the links be changed to enable viewing of more recently edited videos on YouTube.

Cataloging. Madeleine has been entering events on the website as the last step in her editing process. Other than that, there has been minimal progress.

Technology. Mike said that we will eventually need a new computer. We will need more DVD's soon, for sharing with musicians we recorded in the Winter Sessions. The best DVD's available, which we will use for archiving, cost \$3 each; DVD's we normally use cost \$.30 each. Joy suggested asking musicians for \$5 if they want the higher quality DVD's. We also need to purchase more tapes, which cost about \$120 per 100. Gary moved to purchase 100 tapes, 100 DVD's at \$.30 each, and 10 DVD's at \$3 each. Kierah seconded, and the motion passed.

Current Recording Projects. Winter Sessions have concluded for the year. Most of the editing has been done, and we have added more videos to YouTube.

Future Recording Projects -Spring Event. Previously it was decided to cancel the Spring Event, which was to have included video awards. Now we are probably going to have the event without the awards. We can make it a big fund-raising drive, featuring local musicians. Jim Robertson has been in contact with Richard King of The Blue Note, and possible dates are May 2nd or 23rd. Consensus was that the 2nd would be the preferable date. Jim and Mike Cooper will try to meet with Richard again this week to confirm and work out details.

Fundraising. Each board member in attendance was asked to give Jim a list of at least five people who might be willing to donate to MoRivCC. He asked that we follow-up by email to him, providing contact information including residential addresses, and approximate amounts these potential donors might be expected to give. Jim would like to send a mailing to these people. After meeting with Richard King, he will schedule a fundraising meeting with select board members. It is important to set up a database for fundraising.

Next Monthly Meeting. Last month, Kierah attempted to reserve a space at the library for our April meeting, but meeting rooms were already booked. Next meeting will be held on April 13th at 1:30 p.m. in the conference room at the Stephens Building.

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