Indiana Arts Festival Board Meeting June 2, 2023

The IAF Board of Directors met at the Luddy Informatics building on the campus of IUPUI. Those in attendance were: Karri York, Ronda Rosenbaum, David Mannell, Lisa Cremer, Paula Alles, Melanie Edling, Stephen Gruoner (via Facetime), Sayuri Guelce, Ginny Jones, Laura Kierspel, Catherine Kling, Carolyn Lorenzoni, Ginnie Luce, Andrea Schweizer, Deena Talbot & Virginia Kleeberg.

The IAF Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President, Ronda Rosenbaum. She thanked everyone for coming and sharing their valuable time with our organization.

Andrea Schweizer gave the invocation. Karri York led the National Anthem.

Lisa Cremer stated that the minutes from the January meeting were previously accepted by the reading committee and they are posted on the IAF .org website.

David Mannell presented the treasurers report. David explained that the 2,455.00 line item showing a deposit was left over from the IFMC account. IAF kept that account open to make sure that all bills were paid. When that was complete, the account was closed and deposited into the IAF account. Philip has been paid in full for the year. Two festivals checks have not been deposited yet and that is why the statement shows IAF in the red. Andrea Schweizer moved to accept the treasurer report and Karri York seconded the motion. All were in favor.

David presented the Investment report. Bob Kaspar at Windsor Group stated that our investments should be able to catch up from their losses by the end of the year. Anna suggests staying the course. A motion was made to accept the investment report by Catherine Kling. Karri York seconded the motion. All were in favor.

A quick roll call to make introductions. All members present introduced themselves and told what their IAF positions are and what are they are affiliated with.

Karri reported on the Honor's Recital. Registration will start at 9:00am. Karri needs help with room monitors so that we can keep the competition moving smoothly. A sign-up sheet was sent around for volunteers.

Lisa Cremer read the Junior Composers report for Sara Kreilein. There were some issues with some compositions that were missing. Carolyn Lorenzoni suggested that we have all extraneous competitions to go through the .com site in the future. If there are any extra fees, as there is for Composition, they should be added to the festival fee at the local level. The festivals can then pay those fees to the state all in one check.

Catherine Kling reported on Essay and Poetry. A new theme is needed for next year. If anyone has any ideas, please let her know. The plan is also to add these competitions to the .com site for registration as well.

Catherine Kling reported for the Standing rules committee due to Marta Hassfurder not being able to attend the meeting. She read through the verbiage in need of change. A motion was made to accept the Standing Rules by Carolyn Lorenzoni. David Mannell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

David reported on the nominating committee. He thanked Ronda for her service. Sayuri Guelce has agreed to take on the Vice President position. A vote was taken to accept Karri York as President and Sayuri Guelcè as Vice President. They were sworn in by Ronda Rosenbaum later in the meeting.

Carolyn Lorenzoni agreed to be the Chaplain. Catherine Kling agreed to be the Newsletter chair. IAF is still in need of a Parliamentarian and a Historian.

Ratification of Executive Committee Actions: The following recommendations were recommended by the IAF Exec. Committee

Chautauqua Award: Continue the yearly 400.00 donation. Attach IAF name along with Peg Bryan's name. David moved to accept. All were in favor.

The 500.00 Mary Alice Cox Award is for a junior in college majoring in Music Education. David Mannell moved to continue that award. All were in favor.

Poetry and essay awards have been suggested to increase. Grades 1-3, Grades 4-6, Grades 7-9 and Grades 10-12 will each get a 50.00 award. David Mannell made the motion and all were in favor.

David moved to form a committee for continuing education for our members. Virginia Kleeberg seconded the motion. Ronda asked for volunteers to help David to come up with the parameters for this scholarship. All were in favor. David needs committee members to help. Lisa Cremer volunteered. Please contact him if you are interested.

An award in honor of Lisa Cremer's past presidency was not designated for IAF previously. Lisa chose to be named for Grades 9-10 Instrumental Classical first place in the IAF Honors Recital. All were in favor.

Andrea Schweizer suggested that the Video Game category should be unmemorized seeing it is not an honors recital category. Discussion was held. A decision will be made by September after more discussion. Andrea also inquired about movie themes and musical theater themes for piano. Andrea also about interest in an adult competition. The festival committee will meet with a report for any new recommendations for year two.

Philip VanderMeer presented a video in response to the .com feedback collected. It was very informative and detailed. He has some questions of what is being asked in some of the requests. Ronda made a decision to stop the video after about 20 minutes and let the festival committee finish addressing the specifics from the video.

A motion was made by David Mannell to adjourn.

Next meeting dates: September 24 @ 4:00 via Zoom, January 14 @ 4:00 via Zoom & May 31-June 1-Location TBD

Submitted by, Lisa Cremer