



Agenda – California Alliance for Jazz Board Meeting

May 31, 2014

1:00pm Chris Stevens' house 4212 Pixie Ave Lakewood 90712

1. Welcome

Meeting called at 3:00 pm

Thanks for all who attended and for Chris' chef work and great food

Present: Chris Stevens, Matt Harris, Lisa Butts, Barb Catlin, Ed Wolf, Jeff Tower, Jeff Jarvis, Rita Zigas-Brown, Matt Johnson, Coralie Prince, Christine Tavares, Mike Galisatus

2. Secretary's report – Craig Bryant (in absentia)

* Approve minutes from 2.20.14 meeting
minutes approved

3. Treasurers and Membership reports – Barb Catlin

\$10,397.90 in balance

\$2,925 from state Championships

memberships – improving

membership file available on dropbox – only view – don't type on it

summary of bank account and paypal are in the email

still some charges for for championships

odds and ends: hall of fame thanks

need more organization on queries to web site – should organize who responds to what queries secretary should manage that.

4. 2014 CAJ Board Elections – Lisa Butts

Offices of Secretary and President(**elect**) are up

Nomination were discuss for both positions. Lisa will put together the ballot ASAP.

5. 2014 CASMEC review and looking forward to 2015 details

2014 - good sessions, added more new members

* Sessions – need submissions for clinics

* Hall of Fame candidates

* All-State Ensembles – promote more participation – need more applicants

Vocal concerns regarding the entrance fee

Matt Johnson suggests personal visits - recruiting

Christine Tavares-() – Vocal directors currently are required to agree to teach the music to the

participants

Issue of entry fees – should reevaluate the financial arrangement with CBDA

We pay some of convention space (675 for backline)

Lisa - History – circumstances different in the past, jazz groups are smaller.

HOF – Jeff Tower – will send a list later)

6. JEN Conference San Diego 2015

- * California room idea turned down

- * Any formal involvement?

SCSBOA – note from Justin – turned it down due to logistics and costs

No buy in

7. 2014 CAJ Championships

- * Recap

- * Any ideas moving forward?

15 groups - 4 more this year – is growing – good comments

suggestion to use testimonials from directors in future publicity

suggestion to untie from festival submission requirement – and issues with directors listening to the comments (common to other festivals)

9. Stand-Up 4 Music Advocacy Day in Sacramento 5.22.14 – Lisa Butts

- * Recap

Ed code – is being ignored (arts requirement). Working for a bill to enforce this. Money is going to other places.

Go to Standup4music.org and

Broaderminded.org – toward common Core

NAfME, CMEA – lobbyists were there, virtually all groups participated. Need parents there.

10. Newsletter - Rita Zigas-Brown

- * Next issue content

- * Frequency

- * Establish revolving board contributions?

Deadline extended to June 4 –

Some ideas –

Go to 3 a year instead of 4? Answer – need 4 for more continuous contact with members

11. Website – Ed Wolfe

- * Progress report

- * Ideas for future

(summarized his email from 5/30)

12. New Business

Can we get our festival blank out to other festivals?

Tumlinson suggested to tweak the current blank

Jarvis, Tower, Tumlinson, Tavares- – will work on this

13. Next meeting

Video Conference Set for Sunday September 28th – 7 pm

13. Adjourn – 4:45 p.m.

Minutes Taken by Chuck Tumlinson