

Central Texas Bluegrass Association Meeting 4/5/2020 (meeting held via Zoom)

Attendees:

Libby Brennan Chip Bach Chris Jones Celebrindal Roberts Lenny Nichols Mike McKinley

Absent: Sammy, Noah, McD

Libby called the meeting to order at 1237. A quorum was established with 6 of 9 current board members present.

Treasurer Report (Lenny):

Lenny reported that both the February and March 2020 treasurer reports (previously approved) were posted.

Secretary Report (Chip):

March minutes, distributed earlier for comment, were approved. Lenny commented that the approved February minutes were not posted on the web. Chip took action to send them to Jon.

General Discussion:

Admin/Editor access to the CTBA Facebook page and group was discussed. Jon took action to give access to Celebrindal, and any other board members who needed such access.

Impact of COVID19 and the role of the CTBA was discussed. Several software packages were mentioned each of which provide some ability to remain socially (and musically) connected while maintaining physical distancing. Programs such as JamKazam and Acapella were mentioned. Also discussed was the potential for continuing the scholarship using on-line sources. See scholarship discussion below.

With Brad Wolbert moving back to Wisconsin, we are now at 9 board members.

Newsletter Report (Mike):

Newsletter ideas were discussed, such as the on-line Concert series "Cabin Fever" put up by Beth Chrisman. Mike solicited other potential articles for a newsletter.

Merch update (Chris):

Chris reported that he has ordered new CTBA hats and pick fobs. He will tell the board when these become available.

Membership Report:

At the beginning of 2020 CTBA had 80 members. The membership has grown to 124 at the end of March.

Scholarship Report:

With the cancellation of most of the music camps this spring, the board discussed seeking alternatives to help maintain CTBA's outreach to young and/or aspiring musicians.

Band Scramble and Garage sale (Libby):

The band scramble and garage sale have typically been held in around Memorial Day. The board agreed this was too early based upon world events, and discussed postponing the event until June or July.

Both Jon and Libby have some items that have been donated to CTBA for the garage sale. We discussed the possibility of holding the auction on-line. This will be a continuing topic for the next meeting.

The next regular monthly meeting is May 2.

Meeting adjourned at 1:46