CTBA Meeting

6:34 pm September 13, 2023

In attendance:

Lenny Nichols

Jon Lundbom

Natalie Turner

Cody Mabe

Simon Waxman

Kyle Kline

Julian Root

Chelsea Burns (joined at 7:08)

Absent:

Celebrindal Roberts

Approving minutes from August 9

- Jon moved to approve
- Kyle seconded
- Motion passes with unanimous approval of those present

Approving minutes from August 23

- Jon moved to approve
- Natalie seconded
- Motion passes with unanimous approval of those present

Review of membership report

- Natalie interested in taking over/expanding on membership duties (previously handled by Evan Hall)
- Current membership slightly under 200

Oskar Blues has agreed to host the Band Scramble on March 3, 2024

Barring possibility that Austin FC will supersede

Annual meeting update

• Member reservations: about 30 so far

- Tickets sold so far: 6
- Someone needs to go through those registered as members and ensure that their memberships are in good standing. Natalie volunteers.
- Poster distribution
 - Need to print posters
 - Expect to hire Motorblade to hang the posters. Charge will be about \$100 (\$0.70/location for 8.5x11" poster).
- Social media
 - Facebook and Instagram ads
 - Jon suggests an initial ad buy of \$100
- Sponsorships
 - Need to generate sponsorships
 - Outreach needed within the next week
 - List of possible sponsors
 - Fiddler's Green: Julian volunteers to do outreach
 - Ellis Mandolins: Jon volunteers to do outreach
 - HEB: Celebrindal is working on it
 - Collings instruments: Natalie and Kyle volunteer to do outreach
 - Calton instrument cases: Julian volunteers to do reachout
 - Leslie Collier: Lenny volunteers to do outreach
 - South Austin Music: Jon will contact Eddie Collins about outreach
 - Juiceland: Jon volunteers to do outreach
 - Oh Boy (printshop): Julian volunteers to do outreach
 - Old Settlers: Simon volunteers to do outreach (if they can make a small financial contribution, they are welcome to have a table)
 - Jon will send Cody a list of CTBA business members to reach out to
 - What's available to sponsors
 - Included in all advertising
 - Listed in the newsletter, on the website, on the poster, on social media
 - Booth/table at the event
 - Financials
 - Ask sponsors for \$500-\$1000: will make a big difference
 - But we will take less
 - Lenny suggests dunning individuals for private donations targeted at supporting the annual meeting concert

Elections

- The newsletter will include a notice inviting people to run for seats
- Ballots have to go out by October 1
- Will use Election Buddy website

• Chelsea volunteers to manage election process

Newsletter/publicity

- Julian will write an article welcoming new board member (Simon)
- Lenny will explore/develop an article covering release of new album by local band Bobby Giles and Texas Gales
- A business feature on the radio program *Shades of Bluegrass* will be included
- Community Impact: Chelsea will contact about a CTBA feature

Natalie and Cody leave the meeting at 7:00pm. Chelsea joins the meeting at 7:08pm.

Jon calls to a close at 7:16pm