

Bend Pops Board February 12, 2025

The meeting started at 5:19 p.m.

Present: Katie Adase, Louise Brown, Lisa Hakesley, Donna Mitchell, Chris Redgrave, Conductor Eddy Robinson, Judy Sissener, Stacey Weldon

Absent: Chris Moody

Action Items:

- The January Minutes: Motion by Chris Redgrave, 2nd by Louise Brown. Minutes approved.

Reports:

- Treasurer (Lisa): Reported past budgets updated with grant information. Reviewed \$16K deficit for the fiscal year. Filed Pop's taxes. Report accepted.
- Fundraising (Judy): Discussed pending NEA grant for Jan Stevenson's visit and events. Suggested follow up with year-end donors.
- Screen Time - March 1 Planning
 - Venue, Caldera (Chris): No issues. Will verify piano for upcoming concert.
 - Hospitality (Louise): Have sufficient volunteers and inventory in order.
 - Program tributes (Stacey): Discussed including tribute messages in the concert programs.
 - Costume Parade: Stacey leading efforts to organize TV and video game-themed costumes.
 - Concert Attire: Change of the ensemble's concert attire tabled for future discussion.
- From the conductor (Eddy) - Nothing to report.

Commission Composer - Jan Stevenson (Stacey):

- Discussed plans for Master Classes with focus on ensemble workshops and composition classes. Stacey suggested soliciting ideas from membership before making final decisions. Open classes to a wider audience, including students from COCC and local schools.}+].
- Master Class Planning: Chris agreed to handle venue arrangement for the masterclasses. Friday at Mt. View (ensemble workshop); Tuesday or Thursday (intro to composition/arrangement workshop).

Old Business

- Small Ensemble:
 - Katie reported the ensemble survey results received 22 responses. She suggested plans for a summer concert to build trust and momentum with participants.
 - Chris proposed a \$100 budget for initial brass choir rehearsals. We need to review the ensemble's overall budget with Lisa. The Board also agreed to research current music licensing arrangements and explore the possibility of streaming concerts. Chris will contact Lisa.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 12, 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna M. Mitchell