

Drum Point Project, Inc. (DPPI)

Drum Point Club

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Mary Ann McGowan at 5:30 pm. (All Board members have been vaccinated for Covid-19.)

Attendance: Board members: Mary Ann McGowan (President), Eric Andreas (Vice President), Ed Luczak (Secretary), Johanna Icaza (Treasurer), Bruce Fall, Tim Hansen, Bill Kurtz, Terra Cooke. Club Members: John Johnson, Sal Icaza, Rick Smith. Guests: Anita Santoyo.

Minutes: The Board voted to approve the Minutes of the November 9, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.

Special Reports

- **Murder Mystery Nights** – John Johnson presented a proposal for the Board to sponsor one or more evening social events in the Club Party Room called “Murder Mystery Night”. Each event would use a commercial murder mystery game. The events would be open to Club members and guests. John suggested that some of the events could include a catered dinner. A Committee would be created, headed by John, to administer the games and to manage the collection of any fees for catered dinners. The Board Treasurer would not be responsible for collecting fees or making payments for catered dinners. The Board thanked John for his creative idea, approved the concept, and approved initial funding of \$75 to purchase a murder mystery game. John will begin planning the first event for early 2022.
- **Osprey Festival** – Sal Icaza presented his plans for the first annual Maryland Osprey Festival to be held at the Club on Saturday, April 2, 2022. Sal has formed an independent organization to produce this event, which will handle all administration and finances for the festival. Festival activities will take place in the Clubhouse and around the Club grounds. The Board approved sponsoring this event as part of the Board’s “Community Support Program.” As such, no rental fee will be charged for using the Club property and Clubhouse for this event. Johanna is the Board member that is the direct sponsor for this Community Support Program activity. Non-Club members will be charged an entry fee to attend the event; entry will be free for Club members. Sal plans to donate proceeds to the Owl Moon Raptor Center in Boyds, MD. The Board will consider additional support for the event, such as providing a music group or tent.

President’s Report

- **Officers** – Mary Ann reported that she will be frequently unavailable for the next several months due to medical issues. As Vice President, Eric will assume many of the duties of President, including leading upcoming Board meetings.
- **Board Member Terms** – Ed took an action item to email to the Board information about when each of the current Board members 3-year terms expires, and how many 3-year terms they have served. Note: On June 30, 2022, the 3-year terms of Mary Ann, Ed, and Bill will expire. All three are eligible to serve another term.
- **Vacant Board Position** – Since Betsey’s departure in August 2021, the 9th Director position has been vacant. Judy Szynborski has expressed interest, but has not attended any Board meetings. The Board voted to approve a motion to authorize Bill to ask Club member Gary Breeds if he has any interest in heading up the Grounds Committee, and possibly joining the Board in the future.
- **General Membership Meeting** – The Board decided to hold the next General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, March 23, 2022.
- **Letter to Members** – Eric has drafted a letter to the membership that summarizes the Club’s financial position and announces the next General Membership Meeting.
- **Upcoming Events** – Bruce and Mary Ann reported on plans for these upcoming events:
 - **Open Mic Music Night: Christmas Songs (Thursday, December 16, 2021)** – The next Open Mic Music Night will be held from 7-9 pm, organized by Bruce Fall and Ed Luczak, and will feature Christmas songs. The event is for Club members and their guests. Soft drinks and water will be provided.

Finance Committee

- **Reports** – Johanna provided two reports: “Treasurer Snapshot – December 14, 2021” and “Statement of Activity – July 1 to Dec 14, 2021”.

Building/Facilities Committee

- **Hot Water Heater** – The Board authorized Bill and Eric to proceed with the hot water heater replacement project. Our existing water heater was installed in 1992, and no longer produces hot water. Bill and Eric will obtain quotes, select the best contractor, and manage the replacement project. The cost is expected to be about \$3,000. The 2021-2022 budget includes money for this project.

Nature Committee

- **Audubon Events** – Tim reported that an Audubon Field Trip will be held at the Club on February 5, 2022.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Next Meeting: The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm at the Clubhouse.

Current Board of Directors: Mary Ann McGowan (President), Eric Andreas (Vice President), Johanna Icaza (Treasurer), Ed Luczak (Secretary), Bruce Fall, Tim Hansen, Bill Kurtz, Terra Cooke.

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