



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP Meeting Minutes – 12/7/2020

*Celebrating **Blues Music** in the Greater Madison, WI Area*

Present: Board: Shari Davis, Kate Hardy, Vicki Kalkopf, Tim Davis, Steve Lendborg
Members: Dave Speers, Eric Heiligenstein, Jim Nelson, Steve Porter,
Julie Ethridge

2020 Annual Report: Shari Davis recounted the recent MBS activities including:

- May 2019 a Go-Fund-Me drive provided funds for a scholarship.
- July-August 2019 MBS scholarship paid for 14 guitar lessons for an East High School student.
- 9/27/2019 MBS partnered with the Yahara Bay Distillery and put on the Fitchrona Blues and Booze Festival
- 11/10/2019 1st Bowling and Blues Fundraiser
- 1/11/2020 We partnered with the Majestic to support the "WI Blues Festival"
- 2/23/2020 MBS put on a Bowling & Blues Fundraiser. A portion of the proceeds was for the scholarship fund and the rest toward opportunities which serve our mission.
- 4/25/2020 One person from our Board served as one of the judges on the Paramount Blues Challenge, to choose a musical act to attend the International Blues Challenge, in Memphis. Unfortunately the event was then canceled because of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Since then, events were not planned, due to outbreaks of the pandemic.

Nominations for the 2020 Board: Ballots were prepared indicating that Shari Davis, Kate Hardy and Steve Lendborg were continuing their two-year term. Vicki Kalkopf (now Seymour) is ending her term as Treasurer and Tim Davis is ending his term as Secretary. Both Vicki and Tim are will to join the 2021 board in different positions. Nominations were added including Eric Heiligenstein, Dave Speers, Jim Nelson and Steve Porter.

Election of the 2020 Board: On a Zoom break, ballots with all candidates were sent to the meeting attendees via email in the form of an editable PDF form. As in the past, Dave Speers tallied votes. When the next Zoom session started, there were a few ballots not received and some efforts needed to get the PDF/email system to work. In the end, all ballots were received by Dave. Dave announced that all candidates were unanimously elected! The 2021 board will be a full complement allowed by the bylaws of nine members! Officers will be voted by the board at the first 2021 meeting on January 11.

The **Next Board Meeting** will be a Zoom Virtual Meeting on **December 14, 2020** in three segments **from 6:00PM to 6:40PM, 6:45PM to 7:25PM & 7:30PM to 8:00 PM**. *Email links for each of the three meetings will be sent out on or close to the meeting date.*

Minutes submitted by Tim Davis, MBS Secretary

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