

## MINUTES ASSOCIATE MEMBER MEETING AMERICAN BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION March 7, 2019 Loveland, CO

The meeting was called to order at 10:14 a.m. on Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, by Vice-Chairman Bruce Gilkes, filling in for Dan Bolin, who could not attend due to recent back surgery. *Those present were: Bruce Gilkes (Vice-Chair), Bob Grace, Douglas Harter, Rick Ghinelli, Gerald Guilbeaux, Bruce Leek, Tracy Leenman, Jon Locke, Scott McKee, Eric Martin, Steve Martin, Mark Morette, Steve Nelson, Joe Simpkins.* 

Members introduced themselves and each named his business association(s).

Minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting were read and approved. Hard copies will be provided to each member Friday morning.

More members were needed for the Screening Committee – Rick Ghinelli and Mark Morette volunteered and were approved.

New Associate Member application – Jerry Brubaker, composer/arranger. Mark Morette asked about composers and arrangers as regular vs. associate members. Since Jerry has done more arranging than composing, and his body of composition work would not qualify for regular membership at this time, he fits into the Associate Membership. His application was approved

The application for Associate Membership for Moore & Moore (J. Larry Moore) was approved. Bruce will convey these two approvals back to the ABA Membership Committee.

Discussion about Marty Steiner's application was reopened and then tabled, as there was no advocate for him present. A discussion about freedom of the press, freedom of information vs. ABA confidentiality ensued. Gerald Guilbeaux asked about a written privacy policy for ABA. Associates are recommending we have our own written policy on privacy.

Elections – Dam Bolin and Committee have agreed to serve another term (with the Committee additions above). Bruce Gilkes will continue as Vice-Chair; Tracy Leenman was voted Secretary(replacing Jenn Paulson, who no longer attends). Gerald Guilbeaux, Rick Ghinelli, and Mark Morette were voted Members at Large.

Tom Fraschillo gave the financial report.

We currently have four accounts:

- 1. CD Deposit (former Stevens account), \$30K in CD's
- 2. Harris Fund, money market account, \$2,764.75. Our canvas for support was the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the alphabet this year, so not as many people; hence, not as many donations. This year, the canvas

- is A through H, so please contribute when your turn comes. These funds are used for the Convention.
- 3. Checking account, as of today: \$48,638.43
- 4. Money Market account, \$27,648.59 contribution to Archives at U of MC (part time grad assistant), ABA pays for \$K of this. Also \$5,800 for Journal of Band Research subscriptions. TOTAL: \$10,051.77

Dues -38 paid Associate members through 1/15. Tom will get us a list of those who have not paid to see if we can help with contacting those who have not paid.

At 11:34 a.m., the meeting was adjourned until Friday morning.

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Leenman Secretary, ABA Associates

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## American Bandmasters Association Associate Member Meeting March 8, 2018

Loveland, CO

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, by Vice-Chairman Bruce Gilkes, filling in again for Dan Bolin. *Those present were: Bruce Gilkes (Vice-Chair), Bob Grace, Douglas Harter, Rick Ghinelli, Gerald Guilbeaux, Bruce Leek, Tracy Leenman, Scott McKee, Eric Martin, Steve Martin, Mark Morette, Steve Nelson, Joe Simpkins.* 

Clarification on Jerry Brubaker – ABA now has a subset of composers for those whose primary profession is composition and not conducting. But because Jerry is primarily an arranger, not a composer, and not an arranger, he would be an individual, not a business.

Please reach out to others who might be suited for Associates membership. Discussion ensued about the rationale for membership, benefits to members, etc. Members were reminded to use the "business cards" that Tabor Stamper created for PR purposes.

Motion made that we develop a fact sheet about what the Associates are, what being a member entails, similar to the above card. This would be shared with the regular membership and also prospective members. Eric Martin suggested this should include our "mission." – what we envision, and what we do to promote that vision. John Locke moved that we create a tool that is a statement of purpose and activities – what we do as Associates supporting the ABA. This could be shared in a multitude of ways. Eric Martin, John Locke, and Mark Morette will work on putting this together.

Application for Marty Steiner was reopened and it was moved we decline this application rather than deferring it. Motion passed.

Discussion about what we can do to encourage current Associates to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m. There will not be a meeting Saturday a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Leenman Secretary, ABA Associates