

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

January 17th, 2016

Portland State University, Cramer Hall Rm 124, 1721 SW Broadway, Portland, Oregon, 97201

## **Check boxes for Board Members present:**

# Check box if quorum present: $\boxtimes$

☐ Greg Jacob, President

☐ Dirk Schulbach, Treasurer

□ Pete Lee, Secretary

□ Chris Lazarus

□ Dave Alford

☑ Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach

□ Ray Wikman

Quorum is determined by the presence of a simple majority, per Article V, §3 of 3/10/2012 bylaws

#### **Minutes**

- 1) Meeting called to order at 2:02 pm.
- 2) 12/13/2016 Minutes approved as amended. (Motion by Chris, seconded by Dave, unanimously approved).
- 3) Reports:
  - a) Treasurer's Report
    - i) Greg has reviewed the Treasurer's report sent by Dirk to all board members.
    - ii) Audit to be performed by Dennis Usitalo. Pirjo reported that Dirk delivered the Treasurer's books and substantiating material to Dennis.
  - b) Finland 100 Committee (Pirjo)
    - i) Dirk, Pirjo and Katariina visited Seattle to discuss the FF Seattle chapter's work on Finland-100 project
    - ii) Pirjo drafted a calendar, list of potential events and funding sources for FFCPC's Finland-100. Pirjo met with the FFCPC Finland-100 committee members to start reviewing the draft. She will send a copy of the draft to the board members.
    - iii) Finlandia Foundation National Grant Requests: Pirjo received requests from Cappella Romana and Portland Chamber Orchestra for FFCPC to provide letters of support for their FFN grant applications. Pirjo provided letters of support for FFCPC's review, and she gave the completed letters to the applicants.
  - c) Sarvanto grant (Dave)
    - i) c.i Dave reported that he and Greg developed and submitted FFCPC's grant request to FNN for the projects to paint a picture of Finnish pilot Jorma Sarvanto's plane.
    - ii) Naselle Finnish Festival will be featuring the painting this year.
    - iii) UV glass will not be required.
    - iv) Pete to work with Dave to get price on frame for the original.

v) Dave is working working on pricing and number of printed copies.

#### 4) Unfinished Business:

- a) Annual Meeting 2/13
  - i) Food for refreshments: Greg reported that he picked up six loaves of biscuit from Paivi-Pilvi Cramer to serve at the Annual Meeting. Paivi donated the pulla. Jukka suggested bringing cheese and crackers.
  - ii) Beverages: Pete will provide soda and water. Chris will bring some left over cans of soda from ScanFair.
- b) POY, Sara Pajunen will perform April 30, 2016 at the Nordia House. Greg Smith and Greg Jacob have been working on this. Fees will be different for SHF and non-SHF members--\$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.
- c) Board Director terms of service end February 13, 2016: Dave Alford, Pete Lee, Jukka Perkiömäki, Ray Wikman, Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach (currently acting), and Dirk Schulbach. Board members are to send Judy Perkiomaki an email if they would like to run again.

#### 5) New Business.

- a) Finland-100 Project
  - i) Pirjo, Dirk, and Katariina met with Robert Kingdom and Deborah Gangwer of the Portland Chamber Orchestra. Further discussions will occur on additional collaboration.
  - ii) Frozen Music program @ Mt. Angel (Katariina): Katariina, Pirjo, and Dirk met with Third Angle. Might be possible to repeat their Frozen Music program. They are also developing a film of the program.
  - iii) Oregon Cultural Trust: for our members. Pirjo recommends FFCPC consider partnering with the Oregon Cultural Trust. Being listed on the Oregon Cultural Trust as a qualifying non-profit organization may increase State of Oregon tax credits for donors who donate to FFCPC and a matching amount to the Oregon Cultural Trust. Pirjo to investigate further. The Finnish-American Historical Society of the West is listed.
- b) Portland International Film Festival's opening night is Feb 11, 2016. Movie shown is "The Fencer". PIFF will accept \$500 for a co-sponsorship. Motion from Chris: sponsor at the \$500 level, sell tickets at \$15 each to FFCPC members. Jukka seconded. Motion unanimously carries.
- c) Travelling Sauna (Katariina): the Finnish Embassy and FNN are planning for mobile sauna to travel around in the U.S., including Los Angeles and Seattle. We could contact the Finnish Embassy in Washington DC. Pirjo will find out more information.
- d) Motion by Dave for the Finland-100 committee to draft a resolution for the state of Oregon and a chosen local jurisdiction to recognize December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as the Centennial of Finnish Independence. Jukka seconded. Motion carries unanimously.

### 6) Announcements:

- a) Book club: the book club meeting about Rautatie by Juhani Aho has been postponed.
- b) Dave to propose a bylaws change to our members at the Annual Meeting pertaining to annual State of Oregon state filings of the nonprofit corporation. Dave and Dirk to draft the text for the Bylaws amendment. Motion for Bylaw amendment: Ray moves, Chris seconds. Motion carries unanimously.
- c) Haleigh noted that Naselle Finnish Festival theme for this year is "My Finnish Memories". The Festival will be July 29-31, 2016 and features Anna Wirkkala Erland's memories of her parents and family. Haleigh will request a table for FFCPC.
- 7) Motion to adjourn from Ray. Seconded by Chris. Adjourned at 3:19 pm.

Next board meeting will be on February 13<sup>th</sup> after the Annual Meeting that starts at 2 PM, PSU Finnish Room (Cramer Hall Room 124).