



Rhode Island Bluegrass Alliance

Board Meeting | Minutes

Sunday, June 27, 2021

6:30 pm at Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grille, Warwick, RI

ATTENDEES

- Sal Saucó, President
- Richard Guilbault, Vice President
- Diane Petit, Secretary
- Ted Petit, Treasurer
- Lucille Guilbault, Board Member
- Deborah Hall, Board Member
- Bill Thibodeau, Board Member
- Charlie Pike, Board Member
- Glen Sampson, Board Member
- Denise Conway, Member
- Paul Kaleigh, Member

President Sal Saucó called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

1. **Approval of May meeting minutes** – Sal Saucó moved to approve the minutes. Rich Guilbault seconded. All were in favor.
2. **2021 Officer nominations/elections** – All officers are willing to continue in their office for 2021, except for Rich Guilbault who wishes to step down as Vice President. Diane will put out a call for nomination/volunteer for Vice President.
3. **2021 Ocean State Bluegrass Festival & Pick-nic** – Frerichs Farm is confirmed to host the event. Bands have been confirmed. Sal Saucó will contact food vendors. Paul Kaleigh can assist with contacting food trucks. Dave Carney may have access to a stage and lighting. Diane Petit will share the spreadsheet from the 2019 festival for tracking actions and logistics. We will start discussing logistical details at the next meeting. Tickets will be \$20 for the show and \$30 for camping (includes a show ticket for one adult). Parking will be \$5.
4. **2020-2021 RIBA Hall of Fame** – Debbie Hall reported that many venues are booked through November due to the backlog of events that were cancelled in 2020. We will look at various halls next and other venue ideas.
5. **Podunk Bluegrass Festival** – Kids Academy: Tom Pritchard, Kathie Day, Sal Saucó, Jeremy Place, and Claire will be teachers. The committee needs to decide on two songs that will be taught. Slow jam: Sal is working on finding someone to lead the slow jam.
6. **Treasurer's report** – Ted proposed that the band membership fee be changed to \$30 in order to distinguish PayPal payments from family memberships, which are \$25. All were in favor. We should send a dues notice to bands in the near future. We will form a subcommittee to manage the scholarship. See attached financial report.

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, August 1st, 6:30 pm at Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grille

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Diane Petit, Secretary