



## Rhode Island Bluegrass Alliance

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### Board Meeting | Minutes

Sunday, May 19, 2024, 6:30 pm

Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grille, 2225 Post Road, Warwick, RI

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#### ATTENDEES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sal Sauco, President        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Guilbault, Board Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Debbie Hall, Vice President            | <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Hohler, Board Member                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diane Petit, Secretary      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Keighley, Board Member     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ted Petit, Treasurer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Charlie Pike, Board Member                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Susan Boucher, Board Member            | <input type="checkbox"/> Glen Sampson, Board Member                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Denise Conway, Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Bill Thibodeau, Board Member               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lucille Guilbault, Board Member        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Horton, member             |
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President Sal Sauco called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

1. **Approval of April 19, 2024 meeting minutes** – Sal Sauco moved to approve the minutes. Ted Petit seconded. All were in favor.
2. **Treasurer's Report** – Ted Petit distributed the report, which was discussed. Sal Sauco moved to accept the report. Rich Guilbault seconded the motion. All were in favor.
3. **2024 Ocean State Bluegrass Festival & Pick-nic planning** – The festival date is set for September 20-22, 2024 at Frerichs Farm in Warren, RI. Sal Sauco reported that three bands are confirmed: Stoneface Mountain, Wide Open Spaces, and Max Wareham and the Bluegrass Team. Everything is confirmed with the farm. We agreed that we should get sponsors and discussed a sponsorship package. A \$500 sponsorship will include company/organization name and logo in all emails and social media promoting the event, as well as on the RIBA website and event signage; sponsors will be invited to have a table at the festival, if they wish. We discussed whether we should purchase liability insurance for the festival. The program will be the same as last year. Food will be mostly the same as last year.
4. **New Business:** Sal Sauco suggested doing a Band Showcase again, as the 2015 Band Showcase was a success. He recommended finding a more central venue, perhaps in the greater Providence area.
5. **NEXT MEETING:** Sunday, June 30, 2024, 6:30 pm at Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grill, Warwick, RI.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.

*Respectfully submitted, Diane Petit, Secretary*