



## Rhode Island Bluegrass Alliance

### Board Meeting | Minutes

Sunday, September 10, 2023, 6:30 pm  
Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grille, Warwick, RI

#### ATTENDEES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sal Sauco, President            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Guilbault, Board Member |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debbie Hall, Vice President     | <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Hohler, Board Member                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diane Petit, Secretary          | <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glen Sampson, Board Member      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Denise Conway                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Thibodeau, Board Member    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lucille Guilbault, Board Member |   |

President Sal Sauco called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

- Approval of August 6, 2023 meeting minutes** – Sal Sauco moved to approve the minutes. Ted Petit seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- Treasurer's Report** – The report was distributed and discussed. Ted purchased a Zelle reader system with a cash drawer for use as a point-of-sale system at the festival and other events.
- Ocean State Bluegrass Festival & Pick-nic** – The festival will take place Friday, September 22 through Sunday, September 24 at Fredrich's Farm in Warren, RI. Logistics are outlined in the event plan. Here are a few highlights:
  - The Facebook event shows strong interest.
  - The open mic will be held 6-8 pm. Each "band" will perform three songs.
  - Workshops include: Guitar – Keegan Day, Mandolin – Bill Thibodeau, Fiddle – Cathy Day, Banjo – Rich Guilbault, Instructional Jam – Paul Dube (concurrent with other workshops), History – Debbie Hall.
  - Band Scramble – Bill Thibodeau will coordinate. Registration starts at 11:00 am, names will be drawn at 12:30, show beings at 1:00 pm.
  - Raffle items – Bluegrass quilt and instruments.
  - Trash – Glen Sampson can bring trash barrels.
  - Stage steps – Several ideas were discussed, including renting steps with a handrail or building them.

Action	Person Responsible
Order battery packs.	Diane and Ted Petit
Purchase lights.	Sal Sauco
Purchase insulated bags.	Diane and Ted Petit
Send quilt photo to Sal.	Diane Petit

## **New Business**

- None

**NEXT MEETING:** Sunday, October 8, 2023, 6:30 pm at Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grille, 2225 Post Road, Warwick, RI.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

*Respectfully submitted, Diane Petit, Secretary*