



## Rhode Island Bluegrass Alliance

### Board Meeting | Minutes

Sunday, December 4, 2022, 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 type="checkbox"/> Debbie Hall, Vice President                | <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Boucher, Board Member     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glen Sampson, Board Member      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Denise Conway                   | <input 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 November 6, 2022 meeting minutes** – Sal moved to approve the minutes. All were in favor.
- 2022 Holiday Party** – The holiday party is scheduled for Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at the Coventry-West Greenwich Elks Lodge. Food will be potluck. There will be two raffles: a 50/50 raffle and a basket raffle. Tickets for the basket raffle will be \$5. Paul has plastic utensils and napkins and plates. Glen is bringing table clothes and holly.

Action	Person Responsible
Coordinate basket raffle	Debbie Hall
Coordinate coat, hat, glove, and sock drive	Debbie Hall
Coordinate decorations	Debbie Hall
Provide holly for decorations and table cloths.	Glen Sampson
Provide vases for decorations	Diane Petit
Produce 2022 activities slideshow	Diane Petit
Bring supplies (raffle tickets, office supplies, etc.)	Diane Petit
Bring RIBA merchandise, widescreen TV, cash box	Ted Petit
Make a sign for the coat drive.	Diane Petit

- Treasurer's Report** – The report was distributed and discussed. There were four new memberships. Ted ordered the polo shirts; they should be delivered in time for the holiday party.

Action	Person Responsible
Send the check to Frerich's Farm.	Ted Petit

4. **2023 RIBA Hall of Fame** – Diane sent out the call for nominations. A couple of nominations have been received to date. We will look at dates in April and May for the induction ceremony. Debbie will check on availability of the Imperial Room.

Action	Person Responsible
Contact Imperial Room to check availability	Debbie Hall
Provide names of scholarship recipients	Bill Thibodeau

5. **RIBA 10th Anniversary (2023)** – A number of ideas for how to commemorate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary were discussed. Sal presented several 10th Anniversary logo designs.

Action	Person Responsible
Finalize plans for commemoration activities.	Board members
Finalize 10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary logo.	Sal Sauco

6. **Scholarship program and outreach to schools** – Diane Petit will create a web page, which will include the application form. Debbie Hall will ask Bill Thibodeau to check with Alex McLeod about school outreach activities.

Action	Person Responsible
Create scholarship web page	Diane Petit
Check on status of school outreach activities	Debbie Hall, Bill Thibodeau

7. **Possible concerts at the Bay Spring Community Center** – A couple of bands have expressed interest in performing at the center. Denise Conway suggested that RIBA could host a concert series. She reported that the typical ticket price for shows at the BSCC is \$10. Options for compensating the center are either 70/30 split between the band and the center or RIBA could pay a \$25 per hour rental fee to the BSCC. RIBA could sell refreshments and merchandise. There is sound equipment available on site. Denise will confirm details with the center.

Action	Person Responsible
Confirm interest and details with the Bay Spring Community Center	Denise Conway

8. **Learner Loaner / Teacher List** – There have been inquiries from people looking for teachers of various bluegrass instruments. Diane will create a teacher's page on the website. We will charge \$10. Teachers should teach bluegrass style. Rich paid for a listing.

Action	Person Responsible
Create a Teachers web page.	Diane Petit

**NEXT MEETING:** Sunday, January 8, 2022, 6:30 pm at Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grille, 2225 Post Road, Warwick.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

*Respectfully submitted, Diane Petit, Secretary*