

Lawton Philharmonic Society
Annual Board Meeting
Thursday, May 19, 2022
Lawton Country Club

David Jackson called the meeting to order. He welcomed guests to this annual meeting. Minutes were approved as presented.

The finance report was presented with cash on hand of \$125,849.61, total revenue of \$14,041.78, total expenses of \$74,005.90 with a net loss of \$59,964.12.

President David Jackson reported all of us are glad for the return of live orchestral music to SW Oklahoma, being able to navigate through the covid pandemic. He thanked everyone for supporting the orchestra. We saw new additions to the board membership with good participation at our meetings. We were able to partner with McMahon Auditorium Authority and the city to invest in a set of high-quality rechargeable orchestra stand lights and a corresponding charging case. Our season finale was one to remember. Kyle Dillingham gave a memorable performance followed by the longest intermission on record where he entertained the backstage during a huge storm and auditorium lights going out for a short time. The audience was super cooperative and was eventually treated to a finale to remember – appropriately titled “Cloudburst”.

Patty Neuwirth reminded board members to renew their season tickets. She displayed several LPO scrapbooks for us to look at. We had great outreach with Kyle Dillingham’s performance at Elgin school.

Jon Kalbfleisch reported it was wonderful to complete a full season of concerts with an audience!! He encouraged us to make a commitment to get the word out we have our own live, professional orchestra!

Committee Reports:

Program – David Jackson reviewed next year’s season.

Hospitality – Carol Gardner and Piere Mariano put out quite a “spread” for the orchestra, who really appreciated the food.

Grant-Writing – Funds will be available to continue our work.

Marketing – Kaley Dorsey will be focusing on next year’s season to promote it.

Fund-raising – The Oktoberfest Extravaganza will be October 21, 2022 at Mutti’s.

Nominating – Doris Lambert announced current officers will continue for next year.

President – David Jackson

Vice-President – Doris Lambert

Secretary – Linda Chapman

Treasurer – JoAnn Knecht

Motion passed.

Personnel – Tanya Case reported a 4-year negotiated contract has been signed by Jon!

Arts for All – The festival was a huge success. Hopefully, soon we will know what financial help we will be getting.

Old Business

Discussion was made to possibly have Instruments Transformed again next season for a fundraising event.

Doris Lambert was announced as our Volunteer of the Year at the soiree! Well deserved!

New Business

Our next meeting is Thursday, June 16, 2022.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted By

Linda Chapman, Recording Secretary

Members Present: Carol Gardner, Melissa Beck, Barbara Curry, Tanya Case, Jim Lambert, Doris Lambert, Rebecca Kinslow, David Jackson, Linda Chapman

Executive Director – Patty Neuwirth

Marketing Director – Kaley Dorsey