

CTBA February 2024 Meeting  
Tuesday, February 13

In attendance:

Chelsea Burns  
Natalie Turner  
Simon Waxman  
Jon Lundbom  
Lenny Nichols  
Julian Root

Not in attendance:

Celebrindal Roberts  
Kyle Kline  
Cody Mabe

Called to order at 6:39pm

Review of January minutes

- Correction from Lenny: under “report from the treasure,” should be \$915 instead of \$515
- In the future, will simply make notes that the treasurer’s report was approved as submitted
- Lenny moves to approve as amended, Jon seconds, unanimously approved

January Treasurer’s Report

- Jon moves to accept the treasurer’s report, Chelsea seconds. Unanimously approved
- Update on funds—talked with PNC bank, were able to get 4.75% interest on an 8-month CD, which will mature in September. (will earn us \$225)
- May want to consider laddering CD funds in the future, if we want to have a rotating amount becoming available every couple of months

Membership

- Holding steady. We’re at 225, but 25 are overdue and 10 are lapsed. Natalie will do some follow-up calls.

Congratulations to Chelsea for 2024 IBMA Leadership Bluegrass, Jon Lundbom alternate.

Website:

- Jon is currently rebuilding in Wordpress, to try to get out from Wild Apricot
- Most of the vending plug-ins cost \$250 per year. Someone recommended one that costs \$75 once, with no annual fees—AR Member. Doesn’t unlock all the functionality, but to unlock more would be a \$200 one-time fee.
- Payment processing—all payments processed through Paypal, eliminates a problem that we currently have.

- Hosting is \$150 a year. Would be significant savings over Wild Apricot. We are paid through the end of 2024 with Wild Apricot.

#### Garage Sale and Band Scramble

- Stuff
  - Lenny has stuff for it—a couple of boxes of books that someone sent to our PO box. Also a guitar, banjo, fiddle and mandolin.
  - Julian has a bunch of banjo stuff, a couple of instructional books, nothing major (no instruments, no big items)
  - Jon has the stuff from last year—cases, 8 boxes of books that were given at Memorial Fest
  - Julian will ask Ben at Fiddler’s Green for things he’d like to be able to write off instead of throwing away
  - Eddie Collins has a banjo worth about \$2000 that was donated to the CTBA. He is reluctant to do a silent auction for it. Either ebay or banjo hangout if it doesn’t sell at the event.
- Event Logistics
  - Event starts at 3
  - Setup at 2 before they open, in order to set up?
  - Need to set up tables and put starting bids on things
  - Eddie will run the band scramble
  - Lenny will run the garage sale and the merch table
  - Simon and/or Chelsea can be there early to help set up
  - Band scramble starts at 4pm
  - Natalie can work the merch table the whole time, will not be playing
  - Lenny got a credit-wcard reader for the phone
  - How to be able to see inside the room? It’s dim in Sagebrush
    - Small table lamps?
    - Jon has several table lamps
    - Natalie has a couple of five-bulb lamps
    - Need several extension cords and surge strips
    - Five tables? Bring long tables if possible.
    - Chelsea has a table lamp in her office at work, and we might have one more at home.
    - Jon will investigate the area where merch sales normally happen for shows
  - Need to confirm that there will be a sound guy. They’ve been fine providing a sound guy for it.
  - Lenny will do paperwork for silent auction
  - Eddie will do paperwork for the band scramble

Meeting called to a close at 7:11pm