

CTBA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: August 13, 2025

Attendees

- **Present:** Jon Lundbom (President), Simon Waxman (Vice President), Lenny Nichols (Treasurer), Roam Gunn (Secretary), Hannah Giardino (Board Member), Kyle Kline (Board Member), Julian Root (Board Member), John Downing (Board Member), Chelsea Burns (Board Member)
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Meeting Proceedings

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Jon at 6:33 PM.

2. Approval of June and July 2025 combined Minutes

- A motion was made by Jon and seconded by Lenny to approve the amended minutes from the June and July 2025 meeting.
- **Decision:** The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report (Aug 2025)

- Lenny presented the financial report, detailing transactions and end-of-period balances.
- A motion was made by Jon and seconded by Lenny to approve the Treasurer's Report.
- **Decision:** The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Membership Update:

- Current total membership stands at 211.
 - 20 member-bands, 4 business members
 - We have some Business memberships that have expired at the time of the meeting and have not yet renewed
- A discussion followed about how to pitch businesses (esp. venues) on the value of partnering with the CTBA and what we offer them for their membership
 - We discussed the established CTBA affiliation policy and foundational need for a singular CTBA jam as well as the operational and legal rationale backing the settled policy (e.g. liability and event insurance), as well as the official policies re: CTBA member bands and venues that may be CTBA business members
 - Jon suggested that board members review the CTBA documentation (and supplemental material suggested in January)

5. Social Media:

- Hannah shared that traffic has been slower, and the board discussed seasonal slowdowns and how this time of year is a little lighter given the heat.
- Jon encouraged all board members to actively tag the CTBA in relevant social media content.

6. Scholarship:

- We had a scholarship application to a very expensive, boutique camp from a young musician in West Texas. The Scholarship Committee did not advance the application for consideration from the full Board, but the Board (in discussion) was in agreement that the application did not merit awarding a Scholarship. The board agreed to encourage the applicant to apply next year or apply for an ArtistWorks scholarship instead.

7. New Business

- **Meadowfest:**

- Jon shared that an Austin musician and owner of (local business) K-Tonic Kombucha puts on a festival to calibrate a child he lost to suicide
- We discussed offering some charitable support and/or possibly tabling there.
- The board agreed that a goodwill donation of \$200 could be doable, with Jon agreeing to investigate further

8. Merchandise:

- The board noted again that the inventory of hats is low. An order could be placed to restock before the upcoming Annual Meeting.

9. Old Business:

- **Annual Meeting:**

- The board again discussed the opening act for the Annual Meeting. Given the headliner (Volume 5) is an all-male group, the board agreed to prioritize sourcing a local female artist or female-led band for the opening slot.
- The board identified a handful of options, some a little more viable than others, but left with no decision and will have discussions and revisit this topic in the next meeting.

10. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Next Meeting: Sept 8, 2025

Roam Gunn, Secretary

Date of Preparation: Aug 20, 2025

Addendum 8/25

The board voted unanimously via email to book (local, female co-lead) Lost Patterns as an opening act for the Annual Meeting at an expense of \$400 plus lunch and free CTBA shirts (or whatever merch they would prefer).