

**FAI Board of Directors Meeting
Kansas City
February 16, 2017**

In attendance:

Lynn Cingari (formally seated)

Michelle Conceison

Donald Davidoff

Iou DeMarco

Ralph Jaccodine

Joan Kornblith

Cheptoo Kositany-Buckner (formally seated)

Sam Lee (formally seated)

Michael Kornfeld

Deana McCloud

Tim McFadden

Amy Reitnouer

Lisa Schwartz

Matt Sever

Alka Sharma

Matt Smith

Ellen Stanley

Mary Sue Twohy

Erika Wollam-Nichols

Aengus Finnan, Executive Director

Meeting was called to order by President Matt Smith at 10:45 AM and opened a brainstorming session for FAI 2018 conference, seeking board ideas and suggestions for others who should be at the table for the 30th anniversary discussions.

Introductions of the working board and all guests were made.

Guests present:

Diane Tankle - NERFA - was at Malibu

Art Menius - IBMA founder - was at Malibu

5-year ED at FAI

SERFA

Dave Humphries - founded Chicago Coffeehouse in 1970

Invited to Malibu but didn't make it

Every year since Philly

Former President

Derek Andrews - Canada

Former FAI board

Erin Benjamin - Canada

Former FAI board

Music Canada Live - ED

1st FA – Jacksonville

Notes were taken from the brainstorming session and will be used for continued discussion of the 2018 conference planning.

Aengus wrapped up the brainstorming session at 12:05 PM. The board will reconvene at 5:00 PM in order to discuss committee updates and assignments for 2017.

Break

In the absence of President Matt Smith, the meeting was called to order by Vice-President Lisa Schwartz at 5:10 PM. Matt arrived at 5:13 PM.

In attendance:

Lynn Cingari

Michelle Conceison

Donald Davidoff

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Ralph Jaccodine

Joan Kornblith (joined at 5:20)

Cheptoo Kositany-Buckner (left at 5:35)

Sam Lee

Michael Kornfeld

Deana McCloud

Tim McFadden

Amy Reitnouer

Lisa Schwartz

Matt Sever

Alka Sharma

Matt Smith (joined at 5:13)

Ellen Stanley (joined at 5:13)

Mary Sue Twohy (left at 5:35)

Erika Wollam-Nichols

Executive Director Aengus Finnan joined the meeting at 5:40 PM.

A discussion was held about new members' interest in the various committees and areas of interest as well as some redistribution of committee assignments.

The goals of the membership committee were defined in regard to research and cultivation of new members.

An anniversary task force will be formed as a subcommittee and will be staff driven per Aengus' directive.

Motion: To approve committee assignments as read by secretary

Moved by: Tim McFadden

Seconded by: Michael Kornfeld

Result: Approved

Action Item: Deana will update the Google Doc noting new members and committee assignments.

Matt opened the floor for a discussion of the next face-to-face meeting. That meeting was tentatively scheduled for April 24; however, based on members' schedules, it was decided to reschedule the date. In advance of the 30th anniversary, a proposal was made to return to where FAI began. Amy recommended holding the meeting in Pasadena, with members flying

into Burbank as an option.

In regard to the date for the FAI board meeting, Michael suggested that we avoid scheduling on the same date as NERFA's regional meeting. Members were in agreement to hold the April 24 meeting via conference call and schedule the face-to-face meeting for May 21-22. Members will fly to California on May 20, and fly out on May 23.

Motion: Adjust 2017 meeting schedule to include phone meeting for April 24 and exploring details of having the in person meeting in Pasadena with members arriving May 20, meeting May 21 and 22, and flying out on May 23.

Moved by: Ellen Stanley

Seconded by: Alka Sharma

Result: Motion passed with one abstention

Aengus distributed Conflict of Interest agreements to board members and advised all to sign those before leaving.

Michelle Conceison moved to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business to address, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM