

Lehigh Valley Blues Network
Monthly Board Meeting
December 17, 2006
Club 316, Emmaus, Pa.

President Walt Garvin seconded by John White, called the Meeting to order.

Present were President Walt Garvin, V. President Jim Mertz and Board Members: Bob Hall, Mat Roman, Barry Hay, Glenn Wasserman and John White.

We received a report from Don Plowman that our Treasury stands at \$2,265.62

Walt reported that Mary Hawkins is all set for the IBC Challenge.

Glenn Wasserman made a proposal for changing all memberships to a Calendar Year. New mid-year members would get pro-rated discounts their first year. The membership dues would be \$25 for an individual and \$36 for a family and/or band. For the meetings which require membership votes, Family or band memberships would only have one (1) vote. The proposal was unanimously agreed to and adopted at that time.

Walt reviewed our meeting the past week with the two (2) people who have stated that they would be willing to take over Don Plowman's position as Treasurer. Mike Carlson and Cindy Graberitz are both outstanding candidates with excellent qualifications to fulfill the roll as treasurer. The board felt it in the best interests of the LVBN to have them both work as a team and requested Walt make that proposal to them.

The board previously received a proposal from a number of the jamers voicing some issues that need to be addressed to improve the Sunday jam. In an effort to address those issues the board decided to implement several improvements to include a few points discussed below.

Moving forward, the Sunday jam will have Four (4) members (John White, Glenn Wasserman, Matt Roman and Jeff (Doc) Zoltnick) in a rotation to host the jam. Also it was suggested that we try to put together a committee to handle the door each week (as we have had in the past) to help relieve the workload of our board members. We also discussed the need to have a weekly, "in charge" person for set up and tear down. This will fill a void while at the same time providing a platform to get the jamers more involved in the jam and its success.

The other part of the Jam proposal was to move the Jam site. The jamers seemed to feel that Club 316 was not up to par as a home for our jam. The LVBN is committed to improve the jam including a venue change assuming that we are sure it is good for the long term. The dilemma we have in researching an alternate venue is that there are several important concerns that need to be addressed. The board is currently considering all options.

Because of several organizational issues, it was approved that we change the LVBN open meeting and Elections from January 14th to January 28th.

We will have our next regular board meeting on January 14th to make sure that all things are in place for the meeting on the 28th.

It was motioned that we close the meeting by Barry Hay and
Seconded by Bob Hall.

Respectfully submitted
Barry Hay
Secretary LVBN
(corrections made by: Glenn Wasserman)