



Minutes of the Officers & Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, April 21, 2011 BMI Offices

Brittain Ashford (Administrator)	Present
Katie Baron (Legal Counsel)	Present
Marco Berrocal	Absent
Carl Bornmann	Absent
Bryan Bradley	Absent
Eugene Caprioglio	Present
Steve Culbertson	Present
Daniel Dorff	Present
Kathy Fernandes	Present
Sean Flahaven	Absent
Lauren Keiser (President)	Present
Jim Kendrick. (Legal Counsel)	Present
Sonya Kim	Present
Kristin Lancino	Present
Kathleen Marsh	Absent
Zizi Mueller	Absent
Norman Ryan	Present
Jeff Schroedl	Absent
John Shorney	Absent
Todd Vunderink	Present

Call to order and announcements (Keiser) – 5:00 PM.

Lauren Keiser announced the nomination of Bryndon Bay of Mel Bay publications as the new treasurer for the association; the Board unanimously voted Mr. Bay in.

Approval of Minutes – the Board opted to review the minutes and approve in the fall.

Treasurer's Report – Approved as submitted.

New Business

Kopinor: Brittain announced that the Kopinor funds would be disbursed to our accounts at the end of June in the amount of \$144,000.

Mission and direction: Lauren stated that he would like the Board to consider what our mission and strategic direction should be for the coming year. He would like the Board and committees to create and fulfill projects. With this in mind, he stated that the Board should examine and reevaluate our **By-laws** in the fall.

MPA/NMPA effort: Lauren stated that the Harry Fox Agency was losing money and that they were currently restructuring.

Board travel: in an effort to encourage participation from all corners of the country Lauren announced that he would like the Board to consider travel reimbursement for those who travel to the meetings. The Board agreed, stating that most other boards have this sort of provision. It was decided that those traveling by air could be reimbursed up to \$550 and those traveling by train would receive up to \$150 for expenditures.

Committee Reports

Annual Meeting: All thought the meeting went well. The Board extended their thanks and is thinking for next year.

Contribution: Todd Vunderink- ASCAP has asked for \$5,000 for the Taylor Award. The Board approved this grant, though both Lauren and Todd reminded the Board that in the future we need to stick to protocol.

Copyright and Licensing: No report.

Digital Piracy: No report

Curriculum Project/MENC Scholarship: Brittain reported that all projects had been screened and that the top ten would be shared with the Board in the coming weeks for a vote. She let the Board know that we received close to 200 submissions.

ICMP:

Engraving and Production: No report.

Membership: there was an application for membership from Falls House Press. The application was approved by the Board.

MLA/MOLA Joint Committee: No report.

Paul Revere Awards: No report.

Performance Committee: ISMLP founder Edward Guo met with Norman Ryan, Zizi Mueller and Kristin Lancino. They reported that he said that he was open to working with the MPA and is interested in speaking with the Board.

Press/Publicity: No report.

Research/Development/New Technology: No Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Marsh, Secretary