**MAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS WEB MINUTES**

**Date of meeting 14 December 2016**

**Board Members Attending:**

 Julie Miller

 John Koprowski

 Kim Grogg

 Frank Dain

 Sidney Myer

 Bob Diamond

 Jennie Litt

 Kim Sutton

**Apologies:** Lennie Watts

 Stearns Matthews

 Thomas Honeck

 Amy Wolk

 James Mase

 Ricky Ritzel

 Sherry Eaker

 Roy Sander

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Meeting called to order: 7:05 pm by Julie Miller

**1. November minutes were handed out, and will be approved via email.**

**2. Treasure’s report: John Koprowski**

-John presented the current MAC financial activity as of25 Nov 2016.

-Bob made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report. Frank seconded the motion, and it passed with a unanimous vote.

**3. Membership Report**

-As of 14 December 2016, MAC has 605 members.

 -There were 14 new members joining, and 20 renewals.

 -There were 8 expired memberships.

**4. Open Mic Discussion**

 **-**There is no open mic in December.

 -The following Open mics are scheduled:

 January 31st at 53 Above Lennie hosting/Steven Ray Watkins MD

 February 28th at the Laurie Beechman Theater Ian Herman MD

 March 21st The Duplex William TN Hall MD

 April 25th Don’t Tell Mama Andrew Sotomayor MD

 May 30th Laurie Beechman Theater Tracy Stark MD

**5. Holiday Soiree Wrap Up: Bob**

 -The party was a huge success, and a great time was had by all.

**6. They Write the Songs Wrap Up: Julie**

-Julie said it was a fantastic show.

-Again, many thanks to Kim G for her work on the reception, catering, etc.

**7. MAC Awards 28 March 2017**

-Submissions period is open for MAC Awards; submissions are being accepted until January 13th.

 -Preliminary ballot voting begins on February 6th.

 -Final ballot voting begins March 7th.

 -Julie sent out email to membership to alert them of dates.

-Award submissions get mailed in, but all voting is being done online. Julie sending out postcard to let membership know that all voting is permanently done online. Ad submissions and ticketing (Brown Paper Tickets) are online as well.

 -Tracy Stark is MD for MAC Awards.

**8. Wingspan**

-January 28th at 4pm, we’ll listen to the kids and choose one to perform at MAC Awards (studio location to be announced).

**9. Jan Wallman Tribute 29 January 2017**

 -Amy is organizing; tickets go on sale in January.

 -Frank will do press release in January.

**10. Open Floor**

-Jennie discussed bringing songwriters together with singers, which will benefit MAC and all involved. Further discussion will be held at the January BOD meeting.

-Bob asked how can one nominate their MD for an award? Julie explained it would be a submission, not a nomination, and the performer would need permission from their MD. It was also noted, that the MD need not be a MAC member.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.**

**Kim Sutton-Secretary**