

Norwalk Gamer Symphony Orchestra

Minutes for the General Meeting of Tuesday, January 15th, 2019

Meeting called to order at 8:02 P.M. by Bryan.

Sam motions to accept the minutes as read, Lexi seconds.

Committee Reports

1.) Non-Profit Formation Committee, report by Rachael

a.) Our bylaws are now signed! We must now file with the Federal government, which may take 6 to 9 months to confirm our status. There is a ~\$300 fee associated with application. The silver lining to the application process is that we should be able to apply with a simplified version of the paperwork.

2.) Music Selection Committee, report by Nick

a.) https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OESQQoYBnW0p2l14GiP03f_uJCV0BMyODJoRt7v0Afc/edit

b.) Above is a list of pieces under consideration for this season, including:

i.) Pieces we are going to play.

ii.) Pieces we might play.

iii.) Pieces that aren't finished being arranged yet.

c.) Also, we'll open a poll to determine which old piece we will revive to play this season.

d.) Poll here: <https://www.strawpoll.me/17240036>

Old Business

1.) Social activities during or apart from rehearsals - *Sam introduces motion, Lexi seconds.*

a.) Just looking to keep this on our radar, as it'd be good for everyone to get to know each other. Suggestions of activities suggested during last meeting include simple icebreakers, as well as gaming breaks in the middle of rehearsals.

b.) Due to truncated rehearsal this Saturday, we might hold off on gaming break this weekend, but perhaps we'll do the icebreaker, and keep the longer stuff in mind for future rehearsals.

Sam motions to close the floor, Lexi seconds.

New Business

1.) Upcoming concert opportunities - *Sam introduces motion, Ben seconds.*

a.) Wall Street Theater has an unusual type of event coming up, which may include an offer of some type of short residency. We need to explore this idea more with them.

b.) East Norwalk Library may want us to perform again in the mid- to late Spring.

i.) They may want to give us grant money. Given our poor tax status, we might ask instead that the money be spent on giving us more free rehearsals, or perhaps on renting recording equipment for the concert.

Sam motions to close the floor, Nick seconds.

2.) Communications Tech overhaul - *Sam introduces motion, Lexi seconds.*

a.) Rachael set up a Mailchimp account for us.

i.) E-mails will soon come from play@NorwalkGSO.org again.

ii.) We'll be able to use certain certificates to hopefully bypass spam filters.

iii.) We'll be able to maintain distinct lists of people for sending different types of communications.

iv.) Reply alls may now function better than they do with the Google group.

b.) Rachael renovated our web site!

i.) Bryan says "It's fan-tas-tic!"

Sam motions to close the floor, Rachael seconds.

Sam moves to adjourn the meeting, Lexi seconds.

Announcements

1.) 2 upcoming rehearsals - Saturday, January 19th, and Tuesday, January 29th.

2.) We now have a tentative, regular meeting schedule. We'll hold general member meetings on Discord every third Tuesday of a month, unless we need to reschedule for whatever reason (rehearsal that night, holiday, etc.). So, our next two meetings will be Tuesday, February 19th and Tuesday, March 19th.