

**Norwalk Gamer Symphony Orchestra**  
**Minutes for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, May 26th, 2021**

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

*Rachael moves to accept the minutes as amended. Lexi seconds.*

Committee Reports

- 1.) Finance Committee Report, by Stephen
  - a.) \$2,476 balance - roughly \$300 less than one year ago.
- 2.) President's Report, by Bryan
  - a.) 6 Virtual Recitals
  - b.) VGLP
  - c.) Holiday Party
  - d.) Other community engagement
  - e.) Main goal is to continue virtual efforts
  - f.) Slowly work towards performing together in-person
  - g.) Maintain virtual activities even after we resume in-person activities.
    - i.) Helps build a sense of community.

Old Business

None.

New Business

- 1.) Review the proposed budget for 2021-2022 — *Sam introduces motion, Stephen seconds.*
  - a.) [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZHSSQunp2n8K4wDpAvx2gOw8843DyEfS12\\_qc5l-8Xc/edit](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZHSSQunp2n8K4wDpAvx2gOw8843DyEfS12_qc5l-8Xc/edit)*Sam motions to close the floor, Stephen seconds.*
- 2.) Mike moves to accept the budget as proposed. Stephen seconds.
- 3.) Big-picture vision for the next year - *Sam introduces motion, Rachael seconds.*
  - a.) Stay on the tail-end of the re-opening, with regards to moving back to in-person rehearsals.
  - b.) Continue with virtual events, maybe another recital before physical events resume.
  - c.) Start looking at ways to come back to rehearsals safely for the full orchestra.
    - i.) Anonymous "are you vaccinated" questionnaires, or questionnaires to solicit what protocols would be necessary for someone to feel safe attending, etc.
    - ii.) Research safety protocols outside of this board meeting.
    - iii.) Target late Summer for resumption of in-person activities.
  - d.) DLCs could be easy to keep going - just use repertoire pieces from our full-ensemble seasons.
  - e.) Recitals provide a good venue for small ensembles in the future.
  - f.) Recitals and DLCs could be a large burden on people.
    - i.) They are 100% optional!
  - g.) In-person recitals could be a good option for musical excellence.
  - h.) Mike is willing to do more Choose Your Character! Twitch interviews.
    - i.) Repeat guests? Specialty episodes?
    - ii.) Multi-person interviews, game shows

iii.) Before doing more regular episodes, he wants to get a slate of at least 4 interviews ready.

i.) VGLPs can also continue easily.

*Sam motions to close the floor, Rachael seconds.*

4.) Designating committee chairs - *Sam introduces motion, Rachael seconds.*

a.) Finance - Stephen

b.) Personnel - Sam

c.) Social - Rachael

d.) Library - Rachael

e.) Stage - Ben

f.) Music - Nick

g.) Fundraising - Lexi, Nina

i.) We should probably stop paying for CTgrants.

ii.) We applied for one grant in the past, and did not get it.

h.) ACTION ITEMS: Chairs will reach out for committee membership if more members are necessary, and will ask inactive committee members whether they still want to be part of the committee.

*Sam motions to close the floor, Andy seconds.*

5.) Annual Members Meeting Date - *Sam introduces motion, Nina seconds.*

a.) Shall it coincide with next General Members Meeting? Yes!

i.) Mike proposes that everyone watch Zeldathon Side Quest.

*Sam motions to close the floor, Mike seconds.*

*Mike moves to adjourn the meeting, Lexi seconds.*

### Announcements

1.) Next regular Board Meeting Wednesday, July 7th, 2021.

2.) Next General Members Meeting Wednesday, June 16th, 2021.

3.) Humble request that if you don't have a photo of yourself on the board section of the NGSO web site, that you submit a photo of yourself to Rachael.

4.) June 11th - everyone should watch Zeldathon Side Quest.