

Norwalk Gamer Symphony Orchestra
Minutes for the General Meeting of Wednesday, March 15th, 2023

Meeting called to order at 8:06 P.M. by Bryan.

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

Committee Reports

- 1.) Stage/Music Committee Report, by Ben
 - a.) We have 3 confirmed performances coming up:
 - i.) Remembering Bryce, Saturday, May 20th
 - ii.) RetroWorld Expo, Saturday, August 26th
 - iii.) Simsbury Library, Sunday, September 24th
 - b.) The Westport Public Library opportunity for early this Summer unfortunately fell through.
 - i.) We might be able to play there in November.
- 2.) Fundraising Committee Report, by Nina
 - a.) T-shirts that were pre-ordered were already printed and have arrived! They can be picked up at any future rehearsal.

Old Business

None.

New Business

- 1.) A Goal Survey - *Ben introduces motion, Sam seconds.*
 - a.) The membership could help inform what the goals for the orchestra might be.
 - b.) We'll send this out via Discord and e-mail soon.
 - c.) This orchestra is already far beyond most community, volunteer orchestras, but it's a good thing if we keep going and improving!
 - d.) We might discuss results at a rehearsal in the future, in addition to a members meeting.

Ben moves to close the floor, Andy seconds.
- 2.) NGSO Volunteer opportunities for non-members - *Lexi introduces motion, Ben seconds.*
 - a.) Should we open back up volunteering opportunities for non-members?
 - i.) We have a section for this on our web site, but it's been very limited in the past.
 - b.) There might be specialized roles of people who'd like to help us out with a number of different possible tasks:
 - i.) Audio Recording, of rehearsals or concerts
 - ii.) Photography
 - iii.) Press
 - iv.) Stagehands for either rehearsal or concerts
 - v.) Recruiting assistance
 - vi.) Graphic Design
 - vii.) Arranging/Transcription of music
 - viii.) Videography
 - ix.) Librarian's Assistant for our sheet music catalog
 - x.) Merchandise table assistant for events

- c.) Would management of volunteers fall under specific committees?
 - d.) The board will discuss these questions further, about who should receive and organize these applications for volunteering.
 - e.) We had *one* volunteer in the past, a friend of Pradeep's who took pictures of us in one Wall Street Theater concert.
 - f.) Do we need this to be a form on the web site, or a more visible contact form?
 - g.) Opportunities like this that we offer could be good resume builders for people, as it was for Jared when he interned for a symphony some time ago.
- Nina moves to close the floor, Lexi seconds.*

Lexi moves to adjourn the meeting, Nina seconds.

Announcements

- 0.) Next rehearsals are **Tuesdays, March 21st and 28th, at the New Canaan Historical Society and American Legion, respectively, and April 4th, 18th, and 25th, at the New Canaan Historical Society, American Legion, and American Legion respectively.**
- 1.) Next General Members Meeting is **Wednesday, April 19th, 8 P.M. ET over Discord Voice Channel.**
- 2.) "Practice." - Ben
- 3.) "I appreciate everybody." - Lexi
- 4.) New repertoire is available on the Music Portal.