

PCBS - 2/08/23 Meeting Minutes

Po' Boys – 5:30 pm

Music at 6:00 – Billy Galt

Attendees: Bob Paleczny; Greg Altstetter; Jesse Howell; David Adcock; Zack Widup; Mike Ball; Marianne Whitaker; Candy Foster; Chris Breen; Kandra Miller

Last month's Minutes;

http://www.prairiecrossroadsblues.org/minutes/2024-01-11_PCBS_Meeting_Minutes.pdf

Membership Report – Mike

-No new members since last meeting

Finance – Zack

-No new payments or receipts since last meeting

BITS – Marianne

-Has met with Gina Gerald. Scheduled Yankee Ridge 9:00 AM Thursday Feb. 29;

-Has contacted Thomas Paine 2 times, but no response;

-Thanks - Aaron “aTrain” Wilson, Andrew Duncanson & Bishop Lawton;

-Thanks to Urbana Public Arts, Students Thanks on website – Education Page;

-\$1,000 Grant from Urbana Arts Council, which must be used by June,

2024;PCBS will receive the money when finished;

-Urbana has 6 schools; Proposes at \$600 per BITS Assembly, PCBS cost is \$3,600;

-Sandy Hannum and David Adcock are working on a Urbana Art Council grant request for \$2,000, which is due by March 1.

2024 PCBS Blues Fest - Bob

- partner with UPD for Saturday? (same 2nd Sat in Aug 10); Not a fan of doing 2 venues; Membership agreed and David to contact UPD to cancel this year;

-Chris Breen suggested Pipas as a venue; Donna has a stage with cover, alcohol license; trash hauling; speakers; and parking lot; Bob suggested a 1-day event this summer.

-VIP area with alcohol – advance sales?

David A – research into Urbana Arts Grants – no date but sometime in April

- Combine Education with Fest = Stronger Grant – Level II = \$3K to \$5K

Bands, PA & Lights, Volunteers, Generator, VIP Area – Tent & Fencing,
Insurance for liquor sales = \$1,000,000 minimum

Candy Foster Proposal

- made a proposal to PCBS to print a newspaper of CU Jazz/Blues;**
- could be distributed around CU listing CU Bands/Dates**
- PCBS discussed the high cost, amount of work and lack of members to do the project; PCBS website currently lists local events**

Boomerang's Jam – moving to 4th Wednesday - next 2/28

Doublewide hosts, WING Wednesdays, Jonathon busy this month?

Sunday Jam – 3rd Sunday – Mel hosting - future Jams at Pipa's – 2/18

Open Mic Night – Daly's Sports Bar – Philo – 1st Thurs. each month – Cliff Stoker

Cliff also hosting Open Mic Sessions Villa Grove VFW, Monday Feb. 12

CU Folk & Roots Winter Weekend, Magic of Motown

What can we do to attract new members and retain existing members?

-Tabled to next meeting

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Kandra Miller, PCBS Secretary