

**Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors
of
Ritual Art Troupe
A California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation**

The board of directors of Ritual Art Troupe held a board meeting on September 1, 2017, at 304 Winfield Street, San Francisco, California, California.

The following directors, constituting a quorum of the full board, were present at the meeting:

Stardust William Doherty

Jacob Priestley (aka Jacob Breedlove)

Mark Alburger

There were absent:

None

The chairperson announced that the meeting was held pursuant to notice provided by email with all board members agreeing on attendance by September 30, 2016.

The proposed agenda for the meeting was approved unanimously.

The minutes of the last meeting of the board were approved unanimously, contingent on including information on Opus Project expenses.

PROJECT REVIEW

Jacob Priestley talked about progress on making ancient Egyptian harp for the True of Voice project. Jacob Priestley mentioned that Breedlove Puppet Theater, which has changed its name to the Rag on a Stick Puppet Theatre, was invited to provide a grant proposal to the Henson Foundation with a deadline of September 11, 2017. Jacob also reported that the Orchestra of the Moon is now playing at a regular venue each month and will be opening for a gay painter who does fast oil paintings on September 8, 2017.

Mark Alburger provided a description and summary of The Opus Project. The grant

proposal that The Opus Project pursued with the San Francisco Friends of Chamber Music was not approved. The monthly Opus project concerts have continued. Partly for financial reasons, the Opus Project has decided to perform only at Diablo Valley College. The most recent Opus Project concert was successful with an almost complete chamber orchestra and broke even financially. Due to financial constraints, Mark is not sure whether it will be possible to continue paying certain musicians.

Stardust Doherty provided a description and summary of the True of Voice project. Stardust mentioned how nice it is to have progress on the harp construction. Stardust is still working on the script. The “True of Voice Finale” may be part of the SFCCO concert.

BANK ACCOUNT

The treasurer reported that the funds of this corporation are still deposited with San Francisco Fire Credit Union.

All checks, drafts, and other instruments obligating this corporation to pay money shall be signed on behalf of this corporation by any one of the following:

Stardust William Doherty

Jacob Priestley (aka Jacob Breedlove)

Mark Alburger

The treasurer reported that the current balance in the bank account as of July 31, 2017, is \$408.14.

FINANCES

During the period from March 1, 2017, to July 31, 2017, Ritual Art Troupe revenues totaled \$1,040.45 (in donations) and Ritual Art Troupe expenses totaled \$733.17 in management costs (regulation), finance fees, marketing/web, board meeting, and venue/refreshments. Therefore, Ritual Art Troupe has a balance on the books of \$408.14 as of July 31, 2017.

Ritual Art Troupe paid off the balance owed to the Center for New Music for The Opus Project concerts.

Pursuing grant proposals: Breedlove Puppet Theatre project requesting \$3,000 from Henson Foundation to workshop a project. The Opus Project was not approved for a \$3,000 grant from the San Francisco Friends of Chamber Music. True of Voice project was not approved for a Queer Cultural Center grant. Stardust is working on a budget for the True of Voice production.

Action Item: Stardust to determine The Opus Project balance in the Ritual Art Troupe accounts.

BOARD RECRUITMENT

The board discussed the desirability of adding new board members to the board to cover functions that are not currently well covered, for example fundraising and grant writing, as well as to create a more diverse and representative board.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

The board agreed to schedule future board meetings for 11:00am on Friday, March 2, 2018, and 11am on Friday, September 7, 2018, at the Ritual Art Troupe office.

OTHER OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Since there was no further business to come before the meeting, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated: September 1, 2017

Stardust William Doherty, Secretary