The Indiana Federation of Music Clubs Board of Directors met on September 12, 2020 via Zoom. In attendance were Thomas King, Catherine Kling, Lisa Cremer, Stephen Gruoner, Virginia Kleeberg, Ginny Jones, Debbie Griswold, Sara Kreilein, Ronda Rosenbaum, Marta Hassfurder, David Mannell, Karri York, Kathy Elkins, Jennifer Derr, Stacey Montank, Andrea Schweizer, Peg Bryan and Paula Alles.

Lisa Cremer called the meeting to order. Andrea Schweizer delivered the invocation.

Catherine Kling reported on the acceptance of the minutes from May 18, 2020.

David Mannell provided the Treasurer’s Report (attached). Dues are due to him by October 15th. David will be collecting both Senior and Junior Club dues. Catherine Kling moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report and Tom King seconded. All members voted to accept the report.

Anna Stumpf gave the Investment Report (attached). The Executive committee recommended, based on the Investment Committee’s information, that we wait until March to withdraw the 80%, pending confirmation from our financial advisors that we can make the withdrawal in March as opposed to earlier. Stephen Gruoner moved to accept the recommendation and all members voted in favor of the motion.

Regarding the NFMC member at large nomination from Indiana, the name needs to be turned in to national on October 1st. This year, people can email nominations to Lisa. Otherwise we will not have an at-large representative to national.

The Chautauqua conference was virtual and there was a winner of the Peggy Hoover Bryan vocal award – Lucy Evans. Indiana donated their yearly $400.

We hope to hold the 2021 state honors recital and convention at IUPUI live this year June 4-5, 2021. Also, June Brumley died this year and she chaired the honors recital many years and the Executive Committee recommended we give a June Brumley $100 award this year in her honor. Marta Hassfurder moved to accept the recommendation. All members voted in favor of the motion. There was discussion about whether to continue this as an annual scholarship and a possible need for a substantial endowment if we have an annual award. David Mannell, Marta Hassfurder, and Ronda Rosenbaum will serve on a committee to investigate the endowment issues as well as what named awards IFMC currently has. Peg Bryan said people can call her for help if needed.

Lisa Cremer reported on the status of the NFMC conference. Our 2020 convention was cancelled due to COVID-19. We are currently trying to reschedule for 2022. Tentatively, the same hotel is booked for 6/13/2022 for now and the plan is to try to line up those presenters we lined up in 2020. Grants to help with the cost of hosting the NFMC conference would be due on January 1st. Karri York and Catherine Kling will help David and Lisa with grant writing.

Committee reports were given:
Website and forms: Lisa Cremer said everyone’s forms for website or to send to Lisa need to be updated October 1st.

Newsletter: Stephen Gruoner will contact Lucy Evans for her bio (he has her photo) to include her in the newsletter as the Chautauqua winner. The deadline for submissions for the next newsletter is October 15th.

Junior Composers: Karri York reported that there were eight participants this year. Jody Nagel was the judge. Everything went smoothly. Jody Nagel retired from Ball State and Karri said that Dr. Caroline Ahn is willing to take his place. The deadline for submissions is 1/31.

Sweeney Award: Lisa Cremer reported that this year, camps did not occur due to the pandemic, so two awards were deferred to next year.

Poetry and Essay contest: Kathy Elkins stated that for both events, go to the Indiana website first for directions and links to forms. The $10 entry fee should be sent to David Mannell. “Music is a Storyteller” is the essay topic this year. Essay submissions are due January 10, 2021. There is a $75 gift for national winners. Indiana gives two $50 awards for Indiana winners K-6 and 7-12. National winners will get a matching award from Indiana up to 200.00. For the poetry contest, $100 is national award for each of five regions and there is a $50 prize from Indiana. There is a $5 national entry fee, and the Indiana fee is $10. The deadline for poetry submission is February 1, 2021. David Mannell moved that we give $25 for the poetry award for grades 1-6, Stephen Gruoner seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Guillaume Flute award: Lisa Cremer reported that we had a winner last year.

Competitions and Awards: Sandra Lehman did not submit a report on competitions and awards.

Bylaws Committee: Marta Hassfurder reported that the changes have been ratified.

Catherine Kling moved to adjourn. Lisa Cremer adjourned the meeting.