1. Quorum and Call to Order.

- a. The meeting was called to order by President Anne Sergeant.
- b. Ten members were present, constituting a quorum: Anne Sergeant, Janine Smith (Dance) Lynn Pastore (Membership), Lesley Frank (Newsletter), Tim Livengood (At Large), Tom Tucker (At Large), Tom Spilsbury (Treasurer), Charlie Pilzer (Monthly Programs), Charlie Baum (Special Programs), Betsy Platt (Vice President).
- c. April Grastorf (Secretary) was absent.
- d. Two non-FSGW-Board members were present: Jim Cole (former Treasurer) and Dean Clamons (WFF).

2. Approval of Minutes.

a. As the Secretary was not present, approval of minutes was tabled until the following meeting.

3. **Bylaws.**

a. Anne Sergeant reported that the Bylaws Revision Committee, to be chaired by Kathy Westra, would begin meeting and would present its recommendations to the Board at the October meeting.

4. Washington Folk Festival.

- a. Dean Clamons, member of the WFF Coordinating Committee for 2004, characterized the 2004 WFF as a "qualified success" although it lost over \$15,000. Expenses were close to projections provided by WFF to the Board, but income was significantly less than projected.
- b. Dean stated that this was in part due to low attendance (the Saturday rain), and in part due to failure by GEPPAC and WFF to find sponsors.
- c. The Board discussed strategies to strengthen WFF, including more aggressive fundraising, better advocacy with GEPPAC, and identification of new WFF leaders.
- d. Tom Tucker stated that the "suggested donation" amount was too small; Charlie Pilzer suggested that the "funnel" tent should focus on signing up new members.
- e. Dean stated that he intended to draft and mail a solicitation letter requesting funds to cover some of the revenue shortfall.
- f. Charlie Baum asked if the leadership succession problem, which has been discussed at previous Board meetings, had been addressed, and further suggested expanding the membership of the Coordinating Committee to four, which would include a member of GEPPAC staff or board.
- g. Betsy Platt asked Dean who on the Coordinating Committee is dealing with grants. Dean replied that no one has undertaken that function.
- h. Resolved: That FSGW begin planning for the 2005 Washington Folk Festival
 Charlie Baum moved that the Board move forward with initial planning for the
 2005 Washington Folk Festival, subject to Board review at a later meeting; Betsy
 Platt seconded. The Motion was unanimously approved.

8. Committee Reports.

a. Membership.

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- 1. Lynn Pastore reported that 24 people signed up for membership at WFF, but that more than half of those were renewals. She further reported that Kathy Westra was working on reformatting the membership directories.
- b. Newsletter.
 - 1. Lesley Frank reported that the August newsletter will be online only.
- c. Treasurer's Report.
 - 1. Jim Cole noted that the June deposits were not reflected on the handout, which should be corrected by the next meeting.
 - 2. Resolved: That the incoming Treasurer take whatever steps are necessary to change the signatories on FSGW bank accounts to include new Board officers

Tom Spilsbury moved that the Board authorize him to arrange for new signature cards for all FSGW bank accounts. Charlie Baum seconded. <u>The Motion was unanimously approved.</u>

3. Resolved: That the budget be amended to increase the amount allocated to insurance from \$7800 to \$8500.

Tom Spilsbury indicated that the amount required for this year's payment would require additional funds. Charlie Baum seconded. <u>The Motion was unanimously approved.</u>

- d. Special Events.
 - 1. Charlie Baum presented an updated list of current planned events.
- e. Monthly Programs.
 - 1. Charlie Pilzer indicated he was considering Alan Jabbour, Ardeleana Ensemble, and the Aloha Boys.

7. Next Meeting and Motion to Adjourn.

- a. The regular August 2004 meeting will be August 3, 2004.
- b. Resolved: That the July 2004 meeting be adjourned.

Tom Tucker moved to adjourn, Charlie Baum seconded. By voice vote, <u>the Motion was unanimously approved.</u>