NACUSA/SF Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 21, 2024 7:30 PM via Zoom

In attendance Davide Verotta, John McGrew, Greg Steinke, John Bilotta, Allan Crossman, David Drexler, James Cooke and John Beeman

- I. Approve/Update Minutes of Previous Board Meeting minutes approved
- II. Treasurer's Report ending monthly balance \$7262.16 and yearly report as of June 30, 2024, a yearly loss of 1,410.42. Treasurer's report approved.
- III. Status of Upcoming Concerts
- a. Recap Composers & Friends #III, Jul 20, 2024, 12:00 pm, Presidio Chapel, SF. Very successful, a good turnout. We went overtime, but they didn't mind. We would like to do this again next year.
- b. Hired Ensemble Concert, violin, cello, piano. Friday, September 20, 2024, 8:00 PM Community Music Center. All rehearsals are set up. Ensemble should give us the final selections by Aug 26. We will provide audio recording, ask selected composers about sharing cost of video.
- c. Composer Performance Ensemble. Instrumentation Fl., Soprano, Cello, Piano. Sunset Arts and Music, November 23, 2024, 7:30 pm. Call for scores sent out, deadline for submission is Sept.10. Rehearsals are set up.
- IV. 2025 Concert Season Dates have been set for C&F I and II. (Saturday, February 8, 2025, 8:00 pm and Saturday, April 19, 2025, 8:00 pm.) Venue: C4NM. Some members will not go there because they feel it is not safe. We will look at alternative venues, CMC recital hall, St. Teresa, Lakeside Presbyterian chapel and others. Davide will send out a message to members about other venues.

V. Hired Ensemble Concert (HEC) & CPE 2025 – Discussion based on budget projection for 2025. Propose June hired ensemble concert. We will discuss possible ensembles at next meeting. Given our projected budget we might not be able to have both HEC and CPE in 2025.

VI. Submission rules for future CPE and Hired Ensemble Concerts.

- Should only compositions composed in the last 5 years be accepted? Most people did not favor this.
- Should compositions that have already been performed at a NACUSA/SF concert be accepted? The current rule is that they should not be.
- We discussed both these possible rules. We all agree that previously performed pieces on NACUSAsf concerts are not eligible.
- We also had a lively discussion about composers not attending concerts. We tabled it tonight and will discuss it at a future meeting.
- VII. NACUSA/USA membership fee increased to \$35 for regular membership and \$25 for student/senior. Should we increase NACUSA/SF Membership fee? Currently \$45/20. We decided to set dues at \$50/25.

VIII. Next Board Meeting Date Sept. 18