

## **Chippewa Valley Blues Society Meeting January 11, 2011**

The meeting of the Chippewa Valley Blues Society was at the Stout Ale House in Menomonie on January 11th at 6:30 pm. Those in attendance included: Rob Edwards, John Welch, Pete Pappas, Dan Callan, Mike Kelly, Snapshot and Lisa Vandewalle, Dano, Mike Fischer, John Berman, E.J. Johnson, Theresa Dewitz, Buck Barrickman, Bill Johnson, and Mary Dettmann

### **Items on the agenda:**

**Approval of December 2010 meeting minutes:** Motioned to accept: John Welch; seconded: Rob Edwards.

**Treasurer's Report:** Balance in CVBS account = 3,668.45.  
Balance in Tuesday Night Blues account = 5,913.31  
Acceptance of treasurer's report motion by Snapshot and seconded by Rob Edwards.

**Lust for Blues IV:** Date set for March 13, 2011 at the Metropolis. Artists scheduled are Mojo Lemon and Sparky and the Wipers. The room has changed from last year and will be located outside the go-cart area. It is closer to Action City area. The room is booked and Mark Steil has given us food options and available beer and wine to purchase. There are a lot of details to work out and we will finalize at our Annual meeting in February. There may be a room package for guests that would like to stay overnight. The doors will open at 1:30 pm, with music starting at 2:30 pm.

Dano has designed some posters and discussion was made on color options and whether some should be laminated and or printed on cardstock for longer wear. There will be small black and white handouts as well. Items will be available for hand out at the annual meeting. Snapshot suggested we advertise on WHYS radio in exchange for print advertising in our material. He could do several promo spots on WHYS, with details later.

**Website:** A rough draft of layout is in progress, with Facebook style interaction with users. We could add PayPal for dues payments and ordering shirts, etc. CVBS to pay the fees.

**Fall event:** there is interest in promoting an event with a State Theater performance, they have 1099 seats. We would find a sponsor to underwrite the show. Possible October event pairing with Charter Communications "Women Rock" event, booking Bonnie Raitt or comparable artist. We would book a local or regional warm up band.

**Annual Meeting:** the meeting will be February 8, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Metropolis in Eau Claire, WI. The time was approved by motion: Mike Fischer and seconded: Eric

Johnson. Directions were explained to go to the Action City entrance, past the DQ and is across from the go-cart area. There is a meeting room on the right.

Nominations for officers are open now until the Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Any requests to change the amendments or by-laws need to be submitted by Jan.23<sup>rd</sup> and posted Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. They will be posted on the website for 7 days before annual meeting. Amendments may be submitted by phone, in writing or by email to the President (John Berman).

An idea was brought up for CVBS to pay for pizza (\$5.00 per person) for all members in good standing who attend the annual meeting. Motion made by: Snapshot, seconded: Dan Callan. The time of serving would be 6:30 pm, which is a half hour before 7:00pm meeting. Motion made: Mike Fischer, seconded: Mike Kelly.

Suggestion was made for a phone tree to call members and remind them of the annual meeting. Volunteering to make calls include Buck Barrickman, Eric Johnson, Rob Edwards and Mike Fischer.

Nominations made include: Mike Kelly nominating John Berman for President, Mike Fischer nominating Eric Johnson for Vice President and Snapshot nominating Mike Fischer for Treasurer. The nominations are open until the Annual Meeting on February 8, 2011. Voting will be at the beginning of new business with amendments made before new business begins. Mike Fischer suggested we limit the time of discussions to five minutes per amendment, and if needed, allot another five minutes of discussion. Motion made to accept by Snapshot and seconded by Mike Fischer.

**New Business:** Snapshot informed us that Pete Neuman and band have a show booked on May 20, 2011 at the Little Grand Theater in Eau Claire. WHYS radio is sponsoring and the request is made for CVBS to support this event and have it printed on our upcoming advertising. Pete is member of CVBS and would appreciate our effort to help promote by listing it on our website, merchandise table and print material we have previous to the event on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Pete should get artwork to Dano so he can add to our March Lust event material. Members committed to help Pete promote his event.

New website will have an area of area happenings. We need someone to gather information and be the contact person.

Eric asked about future and asking others to help promote ideas and the blues as a whole. How we will handle this? Mike Fischer stated that if we (all members) have ideas, we need to step up and volunteer to do it.

Meeting was adjourned by 8:15 pm. Motion: Mike Fischer and seconded: Eric Johnson.

The next meeting will be our annual meeting on February 8, 2011 at 7:00 pm., pizza dinner at 6:30 pm., at the Metropolis in Eau Claire, check website for more information.