BFJ Board Minutes
January 11, 2016

Meeting was called to order by Derek Lucas at 7:14 p.m. In attendance were Derek Lucas, Lance Christensen, Sherrie Nunn, Carole Ott and Dave Ott.. Tom Lehmann and Laura Hale arrived later. Hostess: Virginia Meyers. Visiting: Carol Lucas and Pat Reynolds.

Minutes from December 2015 were read and approved, Dave Ott 1st, Carole Ott 2nd.

Treasurer's report was discussed. It was noted that card sales would show up in the monthly matrix from now on. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as submitted, Sherrie Nunn 1st, Dave Ott, 2nd.

Membership Report: Total of 104 memberships covering 147 individuals. Yearly totals indicated that the organization is down 11 memberships and 15 individuals since the beginning of last year. Accepted as submitted, Dave Ott 1st, Sherrie Nunn, 2nd.

Old Business: New venue discussion and beginning of operations at the Avalon were discussed. Derek will send out a letter to all membership (past and present) and to the Denver Jazz Club concerning this start at the Avalon and what it will mean for the future of the BFJ. He is also writing a letter to the Boulder Elks, as it appears that our contract runs through the month of March, not January. It was decided to pay them the $300 owed for those two months and thereby stay with our contract, although we will not attend. Derek Lucas 1st, Dave Ott 2nd.

We have a rental agreement from the Avalon, This agreement specifies that the BFJ will use the facility every first Sunday of the month (except August), with setup at 12:30 and cleaning and clear-out by 4:30. Bringing in food and beverage (including alcohol) is allowed. Their calendar indicates a conflicting event in October, but we may be able to move to a smaller ballroom for that month. At the present time, the contract indicates a maximum of 70, which Derek will address in a future conversation with Jim Schwartzkoff, the manager. Rent is $140 per month, reflecting our membership in the Boulder Dance Coalition and is less than what we paid at the Elks.

Discussion was had concerning whether or not to contract with the Avalon's 'Event Services.' This is an individual who would be around our first gig to train everyone on set-up and generally make sure everything works. It was decided that this would be good for the February jam, at $100-125 for the four hours. Lance Christensen 1st, Tom Lehmann, 2nd.

Boulder Dance Coalition will let us advertise on their website. Sherrie Nunn said she would take care of that. Lance said he would write a letter of conduct for leaders and Derek said he would invite all the leaders to the February jam. All officers are asked to arrive early at the Jam in February. Carole and Dave volunteered to bring soda and such to the first jam, charging a modest amount so that folks who do not bring their own can still get something to drink.

New Business: Election of Officers: Derek Lucas, President; Sherrie Nunn, Vice-President; Lance Christensen, Secretary.

Key Card for Avalon: $50 refundable expense. It was decided that Derek would get this and if allowed, a second card would be for Sherrie (making the total $100). Carole Ott 1st, Lance Christensen, 2nd.

Discussion was had concerning whether or not to pay monthly at the Avalon, bi-yearly or yearly. A motion was made to pay bi-yearly, but that motion was withdrawn. Payments will continue monthly at this time.

Discussion on baskets and whether or not to offer a non-alcoholic basket (for both those who don't drink and to address the issue of what happens when a minor wins a basket). Reference was made to a vote on this in

September, but minutes do not exist at this time to verify it. It was decided to keep making baskets as they have been presented, but to keep a bottle or two of non-alcoholic beverages in handy in case there is an issue. This subject will be reviewed again later.

The next meeting is February 15, 2016. Motion was made to adjourn, 1st David Ott, 1st , Tom Lehmann 2nd. Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lance Christensen, Recording Secretary.