



Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, April 5, 2022
5:30PM – 7:30 PM
Via Zoom

Board Attendees: Ron Claiborne; Robert Merrell; Elana Slobodien; Setsu Goto; Daniel Goldhagen; Deanna Landivar-Ruiz; Howard Sendrovitz; Jennifer Hanley

Staff: Larisa Gelman; Thomas Cawley; Luz MacManus; Jacqueline Cannon

Guests: Jose Cantu, Educator PS 4M

Ron Claiborne called the meeting to order at 5:37pm. He asked for a vote on the minutes from the February 10, 2022 Board meeting.

BOARD VOTE on Minutes from February 10, 2022 Board Meeting:

Motion: Howard Sendrovitz
Second: Daniel Goldhagen
Motion Carried

Organizational Update: Larisa Gelman, Executive Director

- Guest Speaker: Jose Cantu, Educator PS 4M shared a glimpse of the impact of Midori & Friends partnership at PS 4M. He spoke about how Midori & Friends' music programs have transferred over to his student's academic ability. He shares that Midori & Friends has been a staple among the students he has taught for over 12 years.
- Operations Update: M&F is currently in 68 schools and is looking to add another program coordinator as we finish out the semester.
- Quantum Governance: Yukari Saegusa nominated Midori & Friends for a governance training with the Quantum Governance organization. QG does a formal review of our bylaws and Board including a survey to each Board member and a four-hour online Board retreat.
- Professional Development: M&F is hosting an in-person professional development session for Teaching Artists at Opera America on May 2nd.

Development and Marketing Committee Report: Luz MacManus, Development Director

- FY22 Contributed Income YTD: M&F has exceeded projections by \$15,770 due to unexpected funds by NYSCA, local government, and corporate support. Our team is working on initiatives to boost individual giving before the end of the fiscal year.
- TDCG is assisting M&F team on an end of year campaign and gala planning.
- 30th Anniversary Gala: Three key venues are being explored: the Altman Building, Essex House, and the Chelsea Factory.

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Program Committee Report: Robert Merrell, Chair

- FY22 Programs Updates: M&F is currently serving over 100,000 students.
 - Play to Learn is running 53 instrument instruction residencies.
 - 66 Celebrate! Music concerts are scheduled.
 - 9 students are enrolled in the NEXTGen Teen Musician program, 10 sessions have been completed. 3-4 teens will perform on 4/29/22 at the Essex House at 7pm. All Board members are invited.

Finance and Administration Committee Report: Thomas Cawley, Chief Financial Officer

- FY22 YTD through 3/31/22: Receipts from the Matisse Foundation and the Treasury came in earlier than expected. M&F is expecting a 300,000-400,000 surplus at the end of the fiscal year. These funds will be used to replenish the Board reserve and next year's working budget.

The meeting ended at 6:41pm.