

**Northwest Horn Society
Annual General Meeting 2020
Hosted via Zoom Webinar**

Saturday, October 10, 2020 at 7pm PST

Board Attendees:

Gina Gillie, president

Jason Johnston, treasurer/membership

Zach Cooper, secretary

Mary Petty, website manager/newsletter editor

Martin King, board member at-large

Rory Anderson, student representative

1. Call to Order and Welcome (Gina Gillie)

- Meeting called to order at 7:05pm PST. Membership welcomed to first-ever NwHS online webinar.
- AGM 2019 minutes were reviewed online by the membership prior to the meeting.
- The 2019 minutes were approved by vote of the assembly.

2. Treasurer's Report (Jason Johnston)

- General funds are at \$2,333.32.
- NsHS Scholarship funds are at \$3,313.59.

3. Membership Report (Jason Johnston)

- Current membership is at 131 active members.
- There are 57 non-active members.
- We filed our annual report to the Washington Secretary of State in August 2020.
- Jason rolled current membership over for a year without asking for a membership fee this year because of COVID.

4. Scholarship Report (Zach Cooper)

- With no symposium in the past year, there was nothing to report.

5. Website and Newsletter Report (Mary Petty)

- There will be new adjustments and more interactive components on our website and online.
- Newsletter was paused for a few months this year due to inactivity caused by COVID.

- Be on the lookout for emails and next newsletter.

6. Student Representative Report (Rory Anderson)

- Rory is creating an Instagram page for our society.
- A new scholarship/grant opportunity for high school students and younger will be available soon.
- Rory asked for student members to be in touch with her with ideas.

7. Old Business (Gina Gillie)

- None.

8. New Business (Gina Gillie)

- Acknowledgement of Kathy Farner's service in the position of Scholarship Chair for many years.
- Election of new Scholarship Chair - Justin Stanley nominated and elected by vote of the assembly. Justin has experience with marketing and scholarships and is enthusiastic about the position.
- Northwest Horn Symposium 2021 will be hosted virtually by the Seattle Symphony Horns. It will include a combination of prerecorded material, live masterclasses and panel discussions. Further details are forthcoming. Date and headlining artists TBD, expected date in Spring of 2021.
- NwHS Board podcasts have been brainstormed by the Board. This will expand our offerings as a society to the membership. Details are in the works. Look for more info in the next month.
- Private Lessons Assistance Grant created as a new opportunity for students who face prohibitive situations with regards to taking private horn lessons. Due to socioeconomic disparity, cultural precedent of serving only privileged groups, and current national movements, like the Black Lives Matter movement, the board would like to start the Private Lessons Assistance Grant Program. The grant will provide up to \$500 for students with significant financial need to take lessons. The scholarship is open to students in grades 5-12 who demonstrate financial need. This grant opportunity is open to all such students but is particularly an effort to reach racial groups that have previously been excluded in part by financial barriers. Our goal as a society is inclusion and growth. We seek ideas, marketing assistance, and support from the general membership to help us succeed in this endeavor. A discussion with members followed with ideas for inclusivity, suggestions to create a group to research potential opportunities, how we can branch away from colonial precedents in the NwHS, and creating a mission statement.

- Donations to the NwHS are always accepted and encouraged. Members can donate on our website as a one-time gift or as a continuing donation. If anybody is able to give, please consider helping. Please offer ideas to help improve NwHS and help us thrive!

9. General Announcements:

- Online workshop for high school horn players hosted by Gina Gillie on October 25. Information at www.plu.edu/music/2020-virtual-horn-workshop/
- Donations to the scholarship fund and general fund for the NwHS are always welcome.
- WSU and CWU did combined studio class in the first week of October.
- Gina participated in an IHS podcast with host James Boldin. The podcast will be available on the IHS website on October 15.

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm PST.