

Blue Ridge Mountain Dulcimer Players Annual Business Meeting
November 16, 2019 at the Augusta County Library

Dinah Ansley called the meeting to order.

1. **Sub-group activities report-** Vicki Germroth reported on the different sub-groups which meet and play in their own communities. Groups such as the following:

- Heartstrings
- Pride of the Blue Ridge
- Joyful Noise
- Sweet String Sisters
- Tom and Jan Scanlon
- Charlottesville Dulce group

Additional information can be found on the club's website
www.blueridgemountaindulcimerplayers.com under Our Club Out and About.

Suggestion was made for next year to have a representative from each group provide a report each quarter to the Club President or another club officer so we can provide information back to the club members about what's happening in different areas.

2. **Workshop report-** Dinah Ansley reported on the workshops the club either arranged or were involved with over the past year.

- Bing Futch** workshop and concert arranged by Midge & Barry Shawley
- Don Pedi** workshop and concert arranged by Tom and Jan Scanlon
- Tull Glazener** workshop and concert arranged by the BRMDP club

May 2020 workshop planned by BRMDP club with Jeff Furman

3. **JAM report-** Debbie Campbell reported the average attendance at JAMS is 9-10 players.
Club JAMS were held on 1st Saturday of the month at the Bridgewater Retirement Community and the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Augusta County Library.

Suggestion was made to look into moving the 3rd Saturday of the month JAM to the Waynesboro Library. Parking is better and club members can access the rooms without the use of stairs or elevator.

4. **Treasurer's Report-** Patsy Kislek reported we have 63 members in the club with 8 charter members.

Club account balance January 2019	\$2346.26
Total Expenses for the year	\$2715.33
Final Balance Dec 2019	\$2115.33

More detailed financial information is available upon request.

During the JAM on Nov 16th a donation of \$150 was made to the Augusta County Library.

For interested club members who would like to purchase, we have 15 copies left at \$5.00/each ***Simply Hymns*** by Joe Collins.

Decision was made to set a due date for 2020 dues. Club dues will be due by March 30, 2020.

Discussion:

Tom Scanlon suggested the club consider options for encouraging the next generation of dulcimer players. He recommended considering a youth scholarship for The Crooked Road Dulcimer Festival and encouraged the club to pursue other ideas and opportunities.

Because club officers were not appointed or elected in 2019 a request was made for anyone interested in serving in any capacity for 2020. There was no additional interest. All current officers agreed to serve for 2020 and were approved by members present. Officers for 2020 will be Vicki Germroth- President, Dinah Ansley-Vice President, Patsy Kislek-Treasurer, Debbie Campbell- Secretary with Lori Lineweaver as the club tech consultant maintaining website and facebook page.

The meeting was then adjourned.