

ROPA President Activity Report –2020 ROPA Annual Conference

2019

<i>date</i>	<i>time</i>	<i>where</i>	<i>description</i>
7/25-30	6 days	on site	Boston Conference
7/28	15 min.	on site	Address TMA Conference, Boston
8/2	45 min	home	Phone w/Rochelle
8/13-15	3 days	on site	OCSM Conference, Hamilton, Ontario
8/21-24	4 days	on site	ICSOM Conference, Park City, Utah
9/12-14	3 days	on site	Site visit to Orange County for 2020 Conference Hotel
10/2	1hr.	home	Conference Call w/Rochelle, Meredith, Bob
10/2		home	Signed contract with Hilton Costa Mesa Hotel
10/25		home	Shoulder Surgery
2020			
1/2	30 min	home	Conference Call for Sphinx Lead, in preparation for discussions at Sphinx Connect
1/3-4	2 days	on site	ROPA Executive Board Mid-Year meeting at Chicago Hyatt Regency O'Hare
1/16	60min	Home	NAAS Consortium Call (AFM/ICSOM/ROPA; Sphinx, NWS, League)
2/6-8	3 days	on site	Sphinx Connect, Detroit Westin Book Cadillac Hotel
2/27	60 min	home	Conference Call/Rochelle
3/2-3	2 days	on site	New World Symphony AFM presentation: Miami
3/9	20 min	home	Phone w/Boise Phil
3/13			CANCELLATION OF SERVICES BEGINS
3/16	60 min	Online	1 st online conference call w/SSD and Symphonic Player Conferences – weekly calls
3/24	60 min	Online	1st online conference call w/PCC – weekly calls
4/1	60min	Online	League Webinar – COVID-19
5/1	2 hrs	Online	AFM IMA Media Committee
5/21	2 hrs	Online	ROPA Executive Board online meeting
5/22	1 hr	Online	ROPA/ICSOM IMA online meeting
5/27	30 min	Home	Meeting w/Rochelle
5/27	1 hr	Online	ROPA Media Committee
5/29	90 min	Online	International Federation of Musicians (FIM)

			conference call
5/29	90 min	Online	OCSM videoconference
6/8	60 min	Online	ROPA Media Committee videoconference
6/10		Writing	Created July IM Article
6/13	60 min	Online	ROPA Media Committee
6/15	60 min	Online	AFM Media Committee
6/26	60 min	Online	Call w/Rochelle, Meredith
7/6	2.5 hrs	Online	ROPA EB videoconference
7/8	60 min	Online	NAAS Data Collection committee
7/12	2 hrs	Online	ROPA EB videoconference
7/15-17	4.5 hr sessions	Online	ICSOM videoconference
7/17	6 min	online	ROPA address at ICSOM Conference

- Numerous other emails and misc. phone calls with delegates and board members, Players' Conference Council, and AFM SSD staff.
- Several calls and emails with Lisa Davis and Martha Warrington, webmaster, to get the Online Conductor Evaluation Program set up.
- Work with ICSOM on the Butch Lewis Pension support campaign.
- Received new AFM Bylaw changes that affect the ROPA ERF sections, then worked with ROPA Secretary Karen Sandene to add to the Delegate Handbook.
- SphinxConnect 2020:Vision
 - National Association for Audition Support (NAAS)
 - Mellon Foundation and the League of American Orchestras support
 - Discussion around creating fair and equitable audition processes, and the creation of a database for auditions
- Sphinx LEAD program:
(Leaders in Excellence, Arts & Diversity)
A two-year program for 20 leaders and entrepreneurs of color (10 chosen each year). They tend to be mid-level arts administrators from many areas of arts administration: orchestras, performing arts centers, etc. Along with SSD Director Rochelle Skolnick and ICSOM Chair Meredith Snow and President Paul Austin, we discussed unions, service organizations, and negotiating.

Respectfully submitted,
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