



Village Arts Coalition

VAC Meeting

Date: March 15, 2010

Location: Avalon Building

Board Attendees: Robert Schaedla, Steward Hartman, Deborah Howard, Jane Bunin, Marshall Shapiro, Melba Shepard, Stan Wilkes, Caroline Stepanek, Anne Vickery, Carla McKenna, Willard Crary, Jeff Pontillo, Susie Reisser. Avalon Representative: Hermine Higgins.

Meeting was called to order by Robert at 7:03 PM.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Melba motioned acceptance; Deborah seconded; passed unanimously.
2. **Avalon:** Robert reported for Chuck. Work Party - Chuck would like to schedule a work party and presented a list of projects needing attention. The Avalon Work Permit 0 is still in progress. A wheelchair lift will be included for stage access. Recycling – Chuck intends to start the program next week.
3. **Stomp:** Caroline is happy with the 8 Days a Week printer. They came down on the expense, and she has reduced the production run to 700 and is keeping track of how many are left at the end of the period. Mailing prices have increased. She will increase the print run for the May-June festival issue.
4. **Finance:** Stan presented and reviewed the year end statement. The net income for the year is \$4,354.84. He printed a comparison sheet with the 2009 year end statement, and overall income is down by \$3,275.59.
5. **VAC Insurance Program:** Stan, after intense examination, has found that the umbrella insurance policy that covers member groups and their activities, does not function as represented. He presented various options, and Robert, Melba and he will speak with Ingvar to see what solutions might be available. Robert parsed the issues as: 1- notification to member groups; 2 – definition of a contractual relationship; 3 – inquire of member groups their actual needs. **MOTION:** Steward – “I move that we inform the member groups that the insurance is in an ambiguous state at the current time. We are investigating further and will inform them of future developments.” Melba seconded. The motion passed with 12 in favor, and one opposed – Stan. Robert will craft a letter to be reviewed by the committee prior to sending to the members groups and will take calls from concerned members.
6. **Fundraisers:** The Black and White Ball netted \$912, which Chuck turned over to the VAC. Stan will add a fundraiser income line to the budget. We will examine how to recognize people who have contributed, perhaps through Stomp. We need

to identify what the funds will be used for. It was agreed that Hermine should let us know when fundraiser events are scheduled.

Deborah motioned adjournment; Carla seconded, passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9PM.

The next regular board in a meeting is Monday, April 19 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Reisser