

Minutes – Village Arts Coalition (VAC) Board Meeting, February 3, 2011

1. No guests attended the meeting.
2. There was a quorum of board members: Steward Hartman, Marshall Shapiro, Carla McKenzie, Anne Vickory, Willard Crary, Larry Utter, Jeff Padillo, Melba Shephard, Deborah Howard, Robert Schaedla. Also present was Hermine Higgins, Avalon Manager.
3. Approval of the minutes of January 2011 board meeting: Willard moved and Marshall seconded; approved unanimously.
4. Standing Reports
  - a. Website: Marshall reported 100 hits per day; 25% are for the Avalon.
  - b. VAC International Festival: Hermine reported that the Festival has received a grant of \$600 from the Human Resource Committee of the City of Boulder.
  - c. Approval of T-shirts for volunteers: Melba moved and Marshall seconded; approved unanimously.
5. VAC Bylaw Change – Steward stated for clarification the change to Article XI of the VAC Bylaws Amendment voted on at the January 6, 2011 board meeting. After replacing the old wording “ten calendar days written notice mailed” with the new wording “ten calendar days written notice by email” the new Amendment Article reads: **“These bylaws may be amended by the affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum of the Board of Directors at any meeting for which ten calendar days written notice by email, by regular mail or delivered personally describing the proposed amendment and its purpose was given.”** Willard moved and Larry seconded the motion to accept this clarification of the change in the bylaws; passed unanimously.
6. Membership
  - a. Thirteen groups have signed up so far in response to the group membership letter mailed out by Stan Wilkes in January, 2011.
  - b. Robert presented a model of the Turnverein, a dance and cultural center in Denver, in order that the board may be informed of alternative ways to organize and manage membership and operations of dance activities at a space similar to the Avalon Ballroom, which the VAC operates. Parts of the VAC were compared to Turnverein membership and operations. The presentation does not cover all of the activities and responsibilities of the VAC or of the Turnverein. The presentation is included as a separate attachment to these minutes.
7. A motion to transfer money in the amount of Twenty Five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the Avalon checking account to the VAC saving account was made by Willard and seconded by Larry; passed unanimously.
8. Purchase of ownership in the Boulder Dance LLC was postponed to the VAC Board meeting in March when more information about money available for purchase of ownership is expected to be available.
9. Other business
  - a. Dave Sander has submitted his resignation. He has a new job that makes it difficult for him to attend board meetings.

- b. Robert requested that board members indicate nights when they are available to meet. He will review the information and let the board know if there is any night other than Thursday when it might meet.
  - c. Marshall volunteered to gather information on obtaining, setting up and operating a vending machine in the building at the 6185 Arapahoe location. He will present that information at the March board meeting.
  - d. Marshall presented a sign that states that rental of the Avalon Ballroom and other dance space at 6185 Arapahoe is managed by the Village Arts Coalition. Melba moved and Deborah seconded the following motion, which was passed unanimously: "I move that we allocate up to \$250 for purchase of a sign at the Avalon stating that the Village Arts Coalition manages the facility."
  - e. Willard presented a proposal to amend the bylaws by adding a new section to the bylaws: "Parliamentary Authority: The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Coalition in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the coalition may adopt."
  - f. Robert volunteered to try to find information on grants to fund the use of as many recyclable items as possible in the kitchen and elsewhere in the facility at 6185 Arapahoe.
10. The next board meeting will be held at Robert's house at 2021 Evergreen, Boulder on March 3, 2011 starting at 7 pm.
11. Robert moved that the meeting be adjourned and Marshall seconded the motion; passed unanimously.

