



Village Arts Coalition

Minutes: VAC Board Meeting 7 August 2014 at the home of Susan Smith. Called to order by Jim Borzym at 7:07PM

Present: Susan Smith, Larry Utter, Susie Reisser, Deborah Howard, Steward Hartman, Jim Borzym, Willard Crary, Rick Thompson, Joseph Snowhawk, Bill Johns

Guests: Ingvar Sodal, Bev Baker, Melba Shepard

Minutes: June 5 and July 3 – Motion to accept - Deborah, 2nd - Bill. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Deborah informed that we have \$8,078.14 in Chase and \$124,347.06 in Wells Fargo as of July 31. We have paid annual liability insurance, and all but one last payment on the International Festival to Jim Schwartzkopff. We need to investigate potential capital calls before considering buying shares in the Avalon. Finance Committee needs to meet. We have enough extra funds to allocate for web work.

Avalon: Chuck is absent. N. lobby portable floor has been reinstalled. Chuck and Scott repaired the air conditioning in Sodal Hall. Design work is under way for air conditioning in the ballroom.

Alex Wilson Legacy Fund - Ingvar is here to solicit activities, and the deadline for the application, which is August 15. Ingvar would like to resurrect the First of Fall party, started by Alex himself. The purpose was to have an opening bash in the fall, for all the community dance groups, open to public, advertised. A way to recruit new people into the community. The Fund could contribute to the effort. Apply on the webpage. Could be tied into the 25th anniversary of the VAC. Talk to Terry Rasmussen and Mary Kay. Caroline, Joseph, Jim, Melba will talk.

Festival Committee: Jim S. asked Melba to come and address. She's writing a history of the festival. 20 years ago there was lots of involvement. It's become less exciting to help with. Now we have a professional coordinator, and he's willing to take it on. With the new name of the organization, and with the community's enthusiasm, it may be a time of transition, making the festival more professional. Melba encourages the board to continue to support it. Jim S. also has other ideas for fundraising. Next year we will need new banners and signs because of the name change. Jim S. would like to continue to run it. We made a slight profit this year. **MOTION:** Deborah - "I move the VAC sponsor an international festival in 2015." Willard- 2nd. Passed unanimously.

Web Site: Judy has gone \$124 over the \$5,000 contract. Judy offered to eat the cost, but Deborah asked if another \$1,000 would cover the costs, and reimburse her the expense. Marshall said \$1,000 would cover the additional work needed. Larry thinks the new test site works very well. Query - Did the scope of the project change while she and Marshall worked on it? Need to check with Marshall first. Jim proposes we pay the \$124 and ask for a completion point before allocating further funds, and talk to Marshall. **MOTION:** Willard - "I move we pay Judy the \$124." Rick – 2nd. Passed unanimously.

Sign: Jim talked to Murphy's Sign Company, and about \$500 should cover the work. Jim will follow-up.

Board Retreat: Shall we have one this year? Topics have been brought up that could be discussed. Board is pretty neutral about it. It could also be a time to work on a project. Jim asks board members to send suggestions for topics and a board retreat or an alternative meeting.

Membership Forms: Have changed. Everyone should get rid of the old ones. Larry will email the new one to us.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion - Jim, 2nd - Susan - 8:15. The next meeting will be September 4 at Susan's.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Reisser
Secretary