

PONDERA ARTS COUNCIL

Board of Directors

February 9, 2016

I President Tim Toeset called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m. Those in attendance were: Harold Olson, Dale Sheldon, Sue Sheldon, Wayne Reynolds, Tim Toeset, Alice Garman, Steve Baliko, Mary DeStaffany, Jan Carter, Phyllis Philipps, Bonnie Flesch, Helen Elliott, Shelba Buffum, Sharon Eisenberg and Cheryl Tornga.

II Minutes - Harold moved and Dale seconded the motion to approve the January minutes as printed. **MOTION CARRIED.**

III Election of Officers - Current officers are  
President - Tim Toeset  
Vice President - Sharon Eisenberg  
Secretary - Jan Carter  
Treasurer - Wayne Reynolds

Helen moved and Phyllis seconded the motion to re-elect all the former officers. Tim reminded the group that if elected he will be resigning the office at the end of June. **MOTION CARRIED.**

IV Treasurer's Report - Dale moved and Alice seconded the motion to pay the bills. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Tim reported that at the last Executive committee meeting Wayne agreed to be the bookkeeper as well as treasurer.

V General Business

A. Building addition - The architect will have drawing by the end of February and Phyllis will then pursue grant money. No money was left after paying expenses from "Desperate Farm Wives" so we will not be getting any funds for the building project from that production.

B. Three year goals - It was suggested to add a visual arts category to item 2. There was discussion about Art in the Park. Perhaps it could be combined with Shakespeare in the Park.

Helen moved and Wayne seconded the motion to adopt the Three-year Goals. **MOTION CARRIED.**

VI Committee Reports

A. Theatre manager - Community Choir will need the theatre March 18th for their dress rehearsal. An email was received inquiring about Whoop-up Concert tickets. They are not yet available.

There was an issue with the projector during the Sunday movie. It shut down but came back on. It is still having problems and a card may have to be replaced at \$1000-\$1200.

The summer matinees have not been chosen. It is too early to plan them now.

B. Strategic Planning - nothing else right now.

C. Executive Committee - The search continues for a handyman. Family tickets for concerts was discussed. The concert committee will come next meeting with a definition of "family".

D. Building committee - They have not met. An analysis of building needs is on their agenda.

E. Membership - 17 cards have been distributed.

F. Concerts -

Dueling Banjos played at two elementary schools; The concert at the theatre had 59 in attendance. The Banjo players were paid \$600 and Barbershop Quartet \$300. We lost \$125-150 total.

Missoula Children's Theatre - Housing for directors, accompanist and locations have been arranged. The high school is not available on Tuesday so practice will be at the Orpheum.

Consortium - It was the best one Helen has attended over all. She gave Neal Lewing's name to the library staff. Everything Fitz and Jason Farnham are possibilities for our concerts. Thomas Pandolfi was wonderful; He is a graduate of Juilliard School of Music.

Shakespeare in the Park is scheduled for June 29th.

G. Finance - Our 2015 capital gains was \$7358.98.

Sharon moved and Helen seconded the motion to put Wayne Reynolds on the T. Rowe Price account. **MOTION CARRIED.**

H. Marketing - Mary has a proposal for a float for the Whoop-up parade, Valier Homesteader Days and Dupuyer celebration - What Floats Your Boat? All were in favor of doing a float if it done ahead of time to avoid last minute rushing.

A regular ad in the I-O about arts events would be cost prohibitive. Random articles with a link to our web site would work well.

I. School Support - Wayne took a check for the murals to Mr. Goyette who was very excited! Upcoming events at the high school include a Literary Arts Class play and All School play. It was suggested to have the Speech and Drama students perform before some of our concerts.

J. Classic Movies - The series beginning February 29th will feature Maltese Falcon, Vertigo, To Catch a Thief and North by Northwest.

## VII New Business

A. Steve Baliko reported on a traveling Visual Arts show for Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness. He will have more information by April. The show will be presented in Billings during May and Helena sometime in June, possibly in Conrad in September.

B. Board committees - Wayne asked to be removed from the School Support committee. Steve Baliko would like to be on that committee. Let Tim know if you would like to serve on any certain committee.

C. Keys - There are numerous keys to the theatre around town but no list of who has them. Any solutions? Dale will check with Jerry Walston about the cost of re-keying the locks.

VII Adjournment - Wayne moved and Dale seconded the motion to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED.**