

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
December 4, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, at the Jasper Arts Center. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Robin Norris, Pat Thyen, Kendall Martin, Kara Bodle, and Mickey Seger. **Commission Members Absent:** Sherry Monesmith, Linda Kahle, Becky Hickman, Gary Moeller and Nanette Parsons. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci and Donna Schepers. **Guests in attendance:** Herald Reporter Candy Neal. WITZ reporter Jim O'Neil. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Pat Thyen moved to approve the minutes of the November meeting. **Kara Bodle** seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

City Financial Statement

Kendall Martin moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Mike Jones** seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kit reported.

- The budget is in really good shape this year.
- Jake Shimabukuro was extraordinary. People attended from out of the area for this show. The audience consisted of members from Evansville and Bloomington. Quite a few ukuleles were brought in for Jake to autograph.
- *Babes in Toyland* was this past Saturday. It was a great family show. Not as well attended as we had hoped. December will be a really busy month. Leahy Family Christmas is December 14th. Radio ads will be coming soon.
- Some offers to performing artists are being made for the 2013/2014 performing arts season.

Building and Structure Report

Doreen reported.

- ACT has auditions coming up next week for its winter show in the facility. They will be renting the arts center in January and February 2013.
- Jasper Dance Theatre will be a new long term tenant beginning in January 2013. Owner, Terri Wilson, will be renting the facility on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday afternoons into early evening.
- The new art wall panels are up in the gallery. The triangular art displays will be up the week of December 18th. The 2 bigger displays will need to be built in the gallery and will be up in January.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- We are moving ahead with the Dubois County Community Foundation grant for area schools. The project completion date is November 13, 2013.
- Education committee meeting is tomorrow. This is a change from the normal schedule due to the holidays.

Visual Arts Report

Emily reported.

- The Artists' Studio Sale was held Saturday and Sunday at the Train Depot. A nice crowd showed up on Saturday but Sunday was a little slow. The artists have some ideas for the sale for next year.
- The Visual Arts Committee is exhibiting its work in the gallery.
- FIRST THURSDAY is this week. It will be a Christmas edition with a hot chocolate bar and cookies. Members of the JHS choir will be performing from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. The Downtown Merchants will be taking a break from FIRST THURSDAY events after December until the weather turns warmer.

Project Coordinator Report

Corina reported.

- Birthday parties are going well. We are booked up through the end of the year.
- The *Volunteer Thank You Reception* is Friday. Alejandra Klawitter will be providing music from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Catering will be provided by Meyer. A cash wine bar will be provided by Pepper's Ridge Winery.
- Chalk Walk is right around the corner. Planning will start in January.

Old Business

- New building status is on hold at this time, waiting for news regarding the Country Club property.

New Business

- Mike Jones asked for volunteers for a nominating committee for 2013 officers. The committee will be Robin Norris, Mickey Seger and Kara Bodle.
- Mike Jones will attend the City Council meeting this month. A sign-up sheet for board members to attend 2013 City Council meetings will be on the agenda for next month. We will have 2 new board members at that time.
- Mike stated that this will be Kendall Martin's last board meeting and thanked him for his service. Kendall is stepping down. Kendall stated it has been a joy to serve as a board member. He will continue to volunteer as a backstage crew member and as a performing arts committee member.

Adjournment

Kara Bodle moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:48 p.m. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

Mike Jones

Attested