

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
January 3, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2012, at the Jasper Arts Center. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Pat Thyen, Gary Moeller, Kendall Martin, Kara Bodle, Linda Kahle, Becky Hickman and Nanette Parsons. **Commission Members Absent:** Sherry Monesmith, Robin Norris and Mickey Seger. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci and Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Bill Shaneyfelt. **Guests in attendance:** Sharon Bohnenkemper, Mayor Terry Seitz and Jim O'Neil. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Kit introduced new Board member, Becky Hickman. Bill Shaneyfelt introduced himself as the new City Attorney and his partner Sharon Bohnenkemper as assistant City Attorney. Bill Shaneyfelt asked some questions about the board to get acquainted with the procedures.

Mike opened the floor for officer nominations for 2012. **Pat Thyen**, reported for the nominating committee, moved to nominate Mike Jones as president, Robin Norris as Vice-President and Kendall Martin as Secretary. **Gary Moeller** seconded. After no further discussion, **Nanette Parsons** moved to close the floor for nominations. **Kara Bodle** seconded. Motion passed 8-0. Motion on the floor is to retain the same slate of officers as last year as stated in Pat's nomination. Motion passed 8-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nanette Parsons moved to approve the minutes of the December meeting. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

City Financial Statement

Pat Thyen moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Kendall Martin** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

- Kit reported we came in about 15.5% under budget even with the two big paving projects that were not budgeted. City support was 17% under budget which means we did pretty well on our income.
- Gary offered thanks to the staff for some other unforeseen issues, such as the chiller and the roof leak above the gallery and to jobs well done this past year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kit reported.

- Kit is heading off to the APAP conference tomorrow. The Performers Series-Traditional is filled. The Performers Series-New Directions still has openings for 2012/2013 season.
- Gary Moeller asked about numbers for the Evansville Philharmonic performance. It was well received.

Building and Structure Report

Doreen reported.

- The custodial staff has been very busy buffing and resealing the floors in the community room, Green room, kitchen, upper rest rooms and gallery entrances.
- There are some minor repair issues that will be addressed this year that were put off last year, due to the parking lot repairs and the uncertainty of those costs.
- Magic School Bus show requires a complete re-hang of all the instruments we have. Then they will be re-hung and focused for a rental that is scheduled for the following weekend. Doreen invited any board members to join the load-in for The Magic School Bus on Thursday, January 12th at 5:30 p.m. Any help will be appreciated. Donna then invited the board to assist backstage for The Magic School Bus school shows on Friday as it is a highly technical show.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- The Magic School Bus is coming. There are six schools coming from outside of the local area. Holy Family and Precious Blood are attending locally.
- Donna wants to step up our profile and presence in the Jasper schools to hopefully increase the shows back to two per shows per grade per year. She plans to be in the schools more and is inviting the board to attend the school shows and help promote our partnership with them. Discussion followed regarding the schools appreciation of our programming and the Kennedy Center Partnership. Donna responded that most teachers fully support the programs. Parent groups are in support of the education programs. Donna spoke with a parent that is a member of an organization that is giving us a \$2000 donation to support the education programs.

Visual Arts Report

Emily reported.

- Barry Motes is the artist for the current exhibit. It was hung today. His reception and gallery talk will be Sunday, January 22, during the Open House. He is excited for the bigger audience the Open House could bring.
- The winter workshop schedule is being finalized. The workshops will start the week of February 13th.

Project Coordinator Report

Corina reported.

- Corina will be helping Doreen hang the instruments for The Magic School Bus.
- She is gearing up for the Open House. The entire Arts Center will be accessible to the Public for the Open House. She invited everyone to attend. Corina will be doing an interview with WITZ and Kit will be doing an interview with WJTS, the local TV station. Jim O'Neil with WITZ will promote the Open House as a news item as well.

Old Business

Becky Beckman was scheduled to go to the City Council meeting for January 2012. Mike asked for someone to take her place. Becky Hickman stated she could attend.

New Business

Mike wanted to reemphasize the thanks that Gary offered the staff and stated he thought we had a pretty good year.

Adjournment

Gary Moeller moved to adjourn at 5:00 p.m. **Nanette Parsons** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Mike Jones

Attested