

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission  
City of Jasper, Indiana  
March 6, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at the Jasper Arts Center. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present**: Mike Jones, Pat Thyen, Gary Moeller, Kendall Martin, Linda Kahle, Becky Hickman, Nanette Parsons and Sherry Monesmith. **Commission Members Absent**: Robin Norris, Kara Bodle and Mickey Seger. **Staff Members Present**: Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci and Donna Schepers. **Guests in attendance**: Herald Reporter Candy Neal, WBDC Reporter Julia Nathan and WITZ News Director Jim O'Neal. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Nanette Parsons** moved to approve the minutes of the February meeting. **Sherry Monesmith** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

**City Financial Statement**

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

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Director's Report/Performing Arts**

Kit reported.

- 50+ student rush tickets were sold for the *Comedy of Errors* performance. Pre-curtain and post-curtain talks were held by the performers.
- *The Good Lovelies* were our final back stage performance for the season. The performance was well received.
- Season Guide quotes were distributed to board members. Ewing Printing in Vincennes came in with the lowest bid. Kit recommended accepting the bid from Ewing Printing. **Kendall Martin** moved to accept the bid from Ewing Printing for the 2012-2013 Season Guides. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.
- Kit introduced the subject of alcohol sales at art center events. We have the Linda Smith Band performing in concert this summer and the plan is to make it a festive occasion with food and beverages to be sold outdoors by outside vendors. After much discussion, the Board agreed to test the waters with alcohol sales at this event, conditional upon Mayoral approval and if this does not violate any city ordinances. **Mike Jones** so moved with **Linda Kahle** seconding. Motion passed 8-0. The Board also formed a subcommittee to discuss serving beer and wine at future events.
- Mike briefed everyone on the strategic plan board retreat. Kit distributed a revised strategic plan with changes made in red. Mike asked the board to review and bring back ideas or changes for the next board meeting. He asked them specifically to look at the mission statement.
- *Ronnie Milsap* is sold out. We have a waiting list. Kit is asking season ticket holders to turn in their tickets to the box office for resale if they don't plan to use them.

**Building and Structure Report**

Doreen reported.

- Strip lights that were approved for purchase at the last board meeting have been ordered and delivered. Doreen handed out quotes for distribution strips to go along with the lights. Norcostco has the lowest bid. Our current distribution strips are from Norcostco. After some discussion,

**Gary Moeller** moved to accept Doreen's recommendation to purchase distribution strips from Norcostco. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

### **Education Report**

Donna reported.

- One school event (*The Good Lovelies*) was held in February at JHS. Students formed 4 circles around the performers and either drew, painted, photographed or wrote about the performance as it happened. A similar event is being planned in April with artist Joyce Garner.
- Donna attended the Kennedy Center Education Partnership annual meeting in Washington D.C.
- Donna presented the Education line-up for 2012-2013. **Sherry Monesmith** moved to accept the education line-up as presented. **Nanette Parsons** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

### **Visual Arts Report**

Emily reported.

- March is Youth Art Month. High School art is exhibited the first half of the month and Middle School art the second half of the month. The High School reception was held on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. It was well attended. The Middle School reception will be held on March 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Birthday Parties were presented as possible new events at the JAC. Corina and Emily will be coordinating these events. Four different themed parties, glamour, dance, art and theatre will be available. The parties will be marketed through the season guide and a brochure. **Kendall Martin** moved to allow Corina and Emily to proceed with the themed birthday parties. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

### **Project Coordinator Report**

Corina reported.

- The Downtown Business Association has again offered to pay half the cost of the participant bags for the Chalk Walk. The Downtown Business Association is also recommending the merchants stay open until 4:00 p.m. when the Chalk Walk ends. The Youth Art contest will be exhibited in downtown stores during Chalk Walk.
- Chalk Walk T-shirt quotes were distributed to board members. All-Star Sports had the lowest bid. **Sherry Monesmith** moved to accept the low bid from All-Star Sports. **Mike Jones** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.
- Media releases have gone out for Chalk Walk. Chalk Walk registration forms will be delivered to schools this Thursday.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **New Business**

None.

### **Adjournment**

**Mike Jones** moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m. **Sherry Monesmith** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

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Mike Jones

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Attested