

FIRE MOUNTAIN ARTS COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
February 23, 2010

Directors Present: Carl, Miranda, Fred, April, Judy, Ashley, Cheryl, Sharlotte, Ron, Bruce, John

Also Present: Marci

Absent: Brad, Louise, and Betty

- Minutes of January 2010 were distributed. Sharlotte moved to approve the minutes, Fred seconded, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Line of credit has been paid off. No current report for January at this time. Bulk mailing has been paid. Ice-maker and fridge have been fixed. Sharlotte moved to approve the report, Fred seconded, and the motion passed.

Gallery Report: New volunteer: Ann Brown and her husband Ed Brown. Donating her time on Wednesdays and money. "Summer Fun & Adventure Expo" coming to SW WA Fair on April 3, 2010. We have been invited to have a booth at this trade show for \$47. Cheryl has offered her time at the booth that day. Fred moved to approve purchasing a booth, Ashley seconded, and the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Onstage:** new summer camp director, Sharlotte. Ashley Nelson helping with after school program. *Stories from Under the Big-Top* May 21 @7pm, 22@2pm.
- **Membership/Volunteers:** brochure for memberships has been updated; staying at same annual membership fee; time to mail out renewal of memberships with tickets enclosed. Ways to recognize members: work day photos, using movie screen, member of the month/week, etc., keep changing appearance of membership wall. Also need volunteers for movies: ticket window. Fred proposed FMAC board to contact members by phone (how are we doing, etc.).
- **Events:** "Open Mic Night" Feb. 28 @6pm, *The Harmonica Pockets* (Dr. Seuss inspired show) March 7 @7pm; *Sounds of Swing* March 13 dancing lesson @ 6:30pm, dancing/show @ 7:30pm. "Laser Light Show" March 20 (Heritage House helping) proceeds going to Haitian Relief Fund. *Hamlet* April 17, 21, 23, 24 @7pm, 18@2pm; Fashion Show May 15@12pm
- *Love Rides the Rails* July 23 @7pm, 24 & 25 @2pm, happening in conjunction with the Cowlitz River Valley Historical Society's Depot Centennial. Save the date post cards are being sent out to include both events by the Historical Society. Our mailing list will remain property of FMAC (to protect our members). Marc Fisher is generously paying for the postage for the postcards.
- *Importance of Being Earnest* did well after the 60/40 split FMAC brought in \$689 + concessions. "New Muses" contract was greatly appreciated; FMAC needs to set a standard contract of its own for others to use the Roxy. Also they need their own insurance.
- Tiller Arts Center: needing tables and chairs in order to fully rent out space for events, ideally 10 round tables (average \$149 ea). FMAC recently received generous donation from Ladd Johnson for \$8000. Discussion of setting aside \$4000 for later date as this money is to help support both BCJ Gallery and Roxy. April moved to place \$4000 in a savings account, John seconded and the motion passed. Fred abstained.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ashley looking into grants through McLendon Hardware regarding double density boards.
- Ashley spoke with Gary Johnson of Mineral, who stated the Visitor Center in Elbe recently got a 19" flat screen for 1 min. ads for \$100 per year. Estimated about 10,000 visitors pass thru annually. Ashley to further look into: can we change our ad throughout the year?
- Website: discussion of merging/linking our two domain sites Firemac.org and mortonroxy.org together. Ashley moved to link the two sites, John seconded, and the motion passed.
- April discussed the option of Seasonal Sponsorships: \$1500 or more sponsors for FMAC shows.
- Mystery dinner theater coming in Dec. 2010 by LaVerne "Cookie" Troxel.

Meeting adjourned, Miranda