

FIRE MOUNTAIN ARTS COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
November 24, 2009

Directors Present: Carl, Miranda, Brad, Bruce, Fred, April, Louise, and Cheryl

Also Present: Alexander Peterson

Absent: John, Sharlotte, Judy, Ron, Ashley, Tami

\*Let it be noted Tami to be moved to inactive board status at this time.

Minutes of October 27, 2009 were distributed. Changes were made to minutes: to add the \$1000 received in proceeds of *Midsummer Nights Dream*, and CAFTA money received to go towards fixing dead circuits in the theater lighting system. Fred moved to accept the minutes with the above changes. Louise seconded, and the motion passed.

No treasurer present to give report.

Gallery Report: New employee, Bob Davis of Mossyrock, through the Goodwill program, which covers his wages for 80 hours per month. Open hours for gallery will be able to increase. Tree auction coming up on Dec. 5. Also wanting to mail out post cards, but first we need to renew our permit at the post office, which gives us a big discount. Out of the area pastel/expressionist artist, Judith Gibbheart-Smith is interested in using the gallery.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Events: *Beauty & the Beast* was well received and profitable (about \$2000). Program ads were about \$1300 which covered costs. More marketing would help in the future, such as "Save the Date" postcards. **Erwillian** didn't have a large crowd, so they were given all the profit, in hopes that they will come again. **Nic Olson** would like to do *Hamlet* in the spring.

Idea was given for creating annual program ad fee.

Children's Theater: *Velveteen Rabbit* Dec. 18, 19. Hayrides on Dec. 5, living nativity, & free movie.

Fundraising: John sent an e-mail in his absence sharing that Betty Hutchison has accepted the responsibility of Volunteer Coordinator, and he would like to nominate her to become a board member. We now have 151 members in, 125 memberships, 99 of which are paid. We have raised \$3960.00 since we sold our first membership May 30, 2009. So far \$380 in donations have come with membership purchases and our sustaining patrons will give at least \$9400 in 2009.

Harold Cooper sent \$80 for himself and his wife to become members.

### OLD BUSINESS

Sidewalk grant: FireMAC to pay \$1500 down toward sidewalk at Keybank tomorrow.

Fred mentioned Morton City could possibly apply for a "distressed county funds" grant.

Masons: Mason's were not interested in our last proposed offer. So Carl offered at Century 21 an offer for \$80,000, which would include \$8000 down (Betty Hutchison and the Tiller Family are helping with), \$500 in earnest, \$275 monthly payments toward account, and 2 balloon payments: \$20,000 at 5 years, and \$20,000 at 10 years. This offer would not give the Mason's the use of the building. Closing would be sometime in January 2010. April moved with a leap of faith to proceed with the purchase of the Masons. Bruce seconded.

2008 taxes: New 990 Form EZ has been filed. No money is owed.

CAFTA: raised almost \$20,000 overall to split up among different arts programs.

### NEW BUSINESS

CTED Program: This could give FireMAC the option of becoming a placement site for this FREE labor program. Louise moved that we should apply; Brad seconded and was appointed to supervise.

Roxy floor under the seats could get a face-lift. Bruce checking into the cost of 12x12 tiles for the floor.

Meeting adjourned.

Miranda