

Fire Mountain Arts Council
March 30, 2004

Board Members present at the meeting were Fred Schwindt, Steve Bertucci, Pam Peterson, Barbara Burres, April Doolittle, Patrick Hart, Bob Maupin, Caroline Sokol, Virginia Goeman, Sharlotte Starr, and Louise Fisher. Others present: Gretchen Jones, Terry Burres, Nancy Dillard, Bob & Ellie Worsham, LaVonne Sparkman, Laura Grim and daughter.

Fred announced that a letter received from the Murdock Charitable Trust stated FMAC is eligible for consideration for a grant. \$275,500 is requested, which is for Phase I of the Roxy project. Also Fred requested \$25,000 from the Cheney Foundation for construction materials needed for sheer walls, roof, and partitions.

Minutes of the February 24, 2004, meeting as recorded by Pam were read and approved. April suggested that there be a recording secretary as well as a corresponding secretary. Virginia nominated Louise and Pam. April made a motion that Louise be recording secretary and Pam be corresponding secretary. Sharlotte seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report by Barbara: \$12,427.95 as of this date. March 27th wine tasting and Roxy tour fundraiser brought in \$2,235 minus wine costs. One check was \$1,000 from the Morton Grange. Gretchen was congratulated for heading up the committee; she thanked everyone for the food. A note of thanks should be sent to Curt at Bean Tree.

Barbara said property taxes are \$572 on the Roxy, but we may apply for an exemption. Pam will follow up on this.

Sharlotte moved that GRETCHEN JONES be accepted as a FMAC Board member, April seconded the motion, and it passed. April moved that BRAD NELSON be accepted as a FMAC Board member, Gretchen seconded the motion, and it passed.

Gretchen stated the business plan is a document in progress. It was sent with a Paul Allen application for a grant. It was suggested there be a LINK to the business plan on the FMAC website, as well as a LINK to the Board meeting minutes.

Steve reported a lot of work has been done on the Roxy. Special recognition was given to Bob. Steve told Fred Chapman of the County Building Dept. what has been done so far. We now have exit lighting and the Fire Marshall's approval. Health Dept. must be contacted regarding concessions. Steve talked with Gene Grulick about the sheer walls, and the required dimensions of the plywood will soon be decided. April said Harvey Chandler of Hampton wants a lumber list for contribution purposes. Glenn Allen fixed the 1937 oil heater and the propane furnace in the laundromat. Pat had LaMay donate the dumpster, which was filled four times! Four spotlights are needed.

Call Steve if anyone is interested in volunteering. Seats need to be cleaned. Pam has a list of current volunteers. Her e-mail address is pamp@firemac.org. Sharlotte said pictures should be taken for history, and she will procure some throw-away cameras.

Events committee members for the Roxy are Sharlotte, Brian, Terry, and Virginia. Terry suggested the Old time Fiddlers and Two Town Tuners, which will perform at no cost. Ellie Worsham told of two up-coming events in Morton: June 5 & 6 speeders will be coming to town on the railroad tracks. June 26 will be "History in Motion," similar to Railroad Days in other towns. April made a motion that FMAC provide entertainment on Saturday, June 5, when the speeders are in town. Sharlotte seconded, and it carried.

Laura Grim (496-6106) who is acquainted with the Society for Creative Anachronism explained a Medieval Feast. It was decided to try this as a fundraiser on May 1st. Committee is Laura, Louise, Pam, and her volunteers. Louise will check on Lions Hall; Laura can borrow equipment, clothing, and would coordinate the food. Joe Juba may be interested in providing entertainment. Sharlotte announced Judy DeVaul of DeVaul Publishing will help with advertising. Tickets (\$20) could be obtained at CCE.

April 16th there will be an open house Bingo night at CCE as a fundraiser for 7 Brides. Many local businesses have provided prizes. 7 Brides meeting is April 6.

LaVonne Sparkman suggested we have an event where stories of the past are told by actors. Lavonne is an author and a teller of jokes. She generously offered sale of her books with a portion going to FMAC.

Barbara read a Letter of Understanding between Centralia College and FMAC which addressed common aspects of their missions. Sharlotte moved we approve the Letter of Understanding, Virginia seconded, and it passed.

Louise encouraged all to visit the miniature golf course at the Lewis County mall, whose wishing well supports our organization, as well as other non-profit groups.

Virginia made a motion NANCY DILLARD be accepted as a FMAC Board member, Caroline seconded, and it passed.

Jubilee concessions at the Roxy were discussed. Barbara proposed a committee for interior decorating of the Roxy; Cecelia Callison and Caroline Sokol will join her.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting is April 27.

Meeting reconvened! Virginia moved that TERRY BURRESE be accepted as a FMAC Board member. April seconded, and it passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Fisher, Recording Secretary

