

Fire Mountain Arts Council
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 29, 2006
Centralia College East

Board members present were Fred, April, Pat, Breezie, John, Brad, June, Louise, Barb, Carl, Marcia, Gretchen, Steve, Dian. Also present were Bruce Roberts, Ron and Anita Field, Brian Petersen, Paul and Lynne Olmos.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05. Minutes from 7-21-06 meeting were approved with the following change: radio ad which the city provided cost \$960.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barb reported Judy Morgan is now doing our regular bookkeeping tasks. Present bank balance is \$3,353.61. Checks to deposit total \$6,779.80. Bills total \$29,595.16. About \$8,000 in pledges for operating costs are still to come in. A line of credit has been discussed for general operating costs, including but not limited to: hiring a manager, stocking the concession stand, insurance and utilities. A line of credit for start-up costs and initial general operation would allow FMAC to get the theater open consistently with income coming in. Carl made a motion to secure a \$50,000 line of credit from Security State Bank. Pat seconded. April called for the question. The motion passed unanimously. Carl made a motion to have three FMAC officers on the signature card for said loan account, with two signatures required for the draws. These officers are to include the president, secretary and treasurer. (Currently the president is Fred Schwindt, secretary is Louise Fisher and treasurer is Barbara Burren.) Pat seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

GOALS: There followed a discussion in small groups concerning how to accomplish FMAC's goals. Ideas are on page 2.

MOVIE CONTRACTS: They must be sent in ASAP.

THEATER SEATS: Help is needed to finish them. Contact Lyn Waldo.

COMMITTEES are as follows, with leader in **bold**. First three are new.

Budget Committee: **Barb**, Carl, Pat, Steve

Facilities Use Committee: **Fred**, Bruce, Ron, Barb, Carl

Marketing Committee: **Dian**, Fred, Ron, Gretchen, Paul

Events Committee: **Brian**, Shar, Lynne, Breezie, Brad, Marci

Costume Committee: **Virginia**, Louise, Marci

Color Committee: **Gretchen**, Cheryl, Shar, April, Barb

NEWSLETTER: Dian wants help with newsletters. Americorps may help, including the Americorps person whom FMAC has hired for this school year.

LC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL: Request for funds through CC was approved by county commissioners! This money must be used for Roxy "equipment." Vendors must bid on any item over \$3,500, e.g. curtains.

ON STAGE: TRANSALTA continues to support our children's theater. They will present FMAC with a check at the next meeting, 9/26/06. It will be at the Roxy and children from this year's On Stage will be invited. Carl will contact Russ Rowland from Masonic Lodge to ask if we may borrow tables and chairs for the meeting.

THEATER MANAGER: Brian has volunteered for a limited time. Carl made a motion as accept Brian's offer to be Theater Manager. Motion seconded and passed. Thank you, Brian! Of course you are invited to attend all committee meetings.

Meeting adjourned. Louise Fisher, Secretary

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS
OF HOW TO ACCOMPLISH
FMAC MISSION AND GOALS

MISSION: Enrich our community life through the arts.

GOALS:

1. PRESENT THEATER, MUSIC, AND OTHER ARTS EVENTS.
Folk festival, film festival, concerts, recitals, theater sports such as improv, choral guests, talent show, high schools competing with one-act plays.
2. FOSTER ARTS EDUCATION.
Children's theater, workshops teaching drama, dance classes, music classes (vocal, instrumental), set design (painting, ceramics, pottery).
3. CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT NURTURES LOCAL TALENT.
Recruit dance teacher, children's theater, art gallery committee, tie in with Christmas in the Mountains, offer theater space to outside parties.
4. FEATURE OUR REGIONAL CHARACTER.
Create seasonal events, historical reenactments, tales from the cemetery, Sasquatch festival, Rain festival, art walk, rhododendron walk, art with local materials (wood, Mt. St. Helens ashware), local photos in gallery (contest or general display).
5. PROVIDE VENUES FOR THE ARTS.
Invite other groups to the Roxy (managed by the Manager and would include a contract to cover damages, etc.), brochure needed for Roxy and gallery.
6. STIMULATE ECONOMIC GROWTH.
Live performances, movies, advertise the space (invite an outside play), professional groups.

IDEAS FOR FALL OF 2006

Dance classes, concerts, Haunted House at BeanTree concurrent with Oktoberfest at Roxy, performances by high schools and CC, Christmas show.