

PINE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES:
October 7, 2019

- I.
 - A. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by President Beth Campbell in the Four Seasons Room at the First Presbyterian Church.
 - B. **Attendance:**
 - Present:** Iduna Bever, Jan Caputo, Kate Sandow, Melissa Strait, Beth Campbell, Rob DuHadway, Jeri Piccolo
 - Excused:** Liz Loyselle, Scott Mackenzie, Craig Zeese, Roger Allman
 - Absent:** Al Bartholomew, Dennis Marshall, Sandy Sheldon
 - C. **Approval of Agenda:** **Jeri moved and Iduna seconded to approve the agenda with the alteration of moving the New Business Grant Request to the top. Carried.**
- II. **New Business:**
 - A. Grant Request from the Alma College Theater Department to approve \$500 to fund pit musicians for “The Music Man” who are community members. **Rob moved and Kate seconded to approve. Carried, with two abstentions.**
- III. **Officers’ Reports:**
 - A. President’s Report:
 1. A thank you card was received from Virginia McMacken for the flowers we sent at Dave’s death.
 2. Liz Loyselle’s mother passed away. We will send a sympathy card.
 - B. Secretary’s Report: **Jan moved and Rob seconded that the August 2019 Minutes be approved. Carried.** (The Council did not meet in September.)
 - C. Treasurer’s Report: **Jeri moved and Iduna seconded to accept the financial report.** Jan noted that Rent Rite’s rate for Lucky MacDuck rentals went up, but they do give us a discount/grant.
- IV. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. Member Nominating Committee of the Whole:
 1. Cheryl Barden has accepted our invitation to join us as a Board Member. Jeri will send her the new member materials.
- V. **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. The Alma Community Arts Center will be moving to their new location on Superior St. across the alley from the Strand Theater in November. We will work with them to move the Just Ducky Shoppe into their venue.
- VI. **News from Art-related Organizations:**
 - A. Alma Community Art Center: To see the list of classes, check the website at www.alma-cac.org. They hope to officially open the new location on November 11, which is the anniversary of the date they dedicated the Wassenaar Gallery in their first home.
 - B. Scott will direct “The Music Man” at Alma College which will be performed October 17-21.

- C. Gratiot County Players: “The Good Doctor” will be performed the last two weekends in October.
- D. Pine River Chamber Orchestra, an evolution of Vintage Strings, is under new management—business partners Ross Maki and Jan Caputo—and features an expanded perspective that will allow additional ensemble growth. Website is pineriverco.org and the first concert will be January 26.
- E. The Arts Guild is hosting wildlife painter Rod Lawrence as he presents a workshop this weekend.
- F. The Alma Symphony will perform on October 27 at the Heritage Center.
- G. Alma High School will present “Trap” on Nov. 1 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 2 at 2 & 7 p.m. in the HS auditorium. Beth says it’s a bit out of their traditional fare as it is in the horror/suspense genre.
- H. Melissa is a cast member for “Frederick’s Demise” at Highland Blush on Oct. 31, and Nov. 1, 2, 7, 8, 9. It’s a dinner theater. Tickets are \$22 for a three course meal and drinks, in addition to the performance. 466-6860.
- I. There will be a PEO Tea and Auction at the public library on Oct. 20 to promote women’s education. It will feature a Downton Abbey theme.

VII. Announcements

- A. **Future Meetings:** 6:30 p.m. in the Four Seasons Room at First Presbyterian Church.
 - 1. November 4, 2019.
 - 2. December 2, 2019.

VIII. Adjournment at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Jeri Piccolo, Secretary