

PINE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES:
November 4, 2019

- I. **A. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by President Beth Campbell in the Four Seasons Room at the First Presbyterian Church of Alma.
B. Attendance:
Present: Jan Caputo, Kate Sandow, Beth Campbell, Craig Zeese, Roger Allman, Jeri Piccolo, Liz Loyselle, Dennis Marshall, Sandy Sheldon, Cheryl Barden
Excused: Iduna Bever, Scott Mackenzie, Melissa Strait, Rob DuHadway
Absent: Al Bartholomew
C. Approval of Agenda: **Kate moved and Roger seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of a new business item from Roger. Carried.**
- II. **Officers' Reports:**
 - A. Secretary's Report: **Jan moved and Liz seconded that the October 2019 Minutes be approved with the following changes: Liz Loyselle's mother-in-law died, not her mother; Sandy was Excused in October, not absent. Carried.**
 - B. Treasurer's Report: **Craig moved and Jeri seconded to accept the financial report.**
- III. **Committee Reports:** none
- IV. **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. Dream Park PRAC Picnic Table: Roger says the city has our plaque. He will check to see whether it's been affixed to the table.
 - B. The Alma Community Arts Center will be moving to their new location on Superior St. across the alley from the Strand Theater. The opening has been postponed until more of the renovation has been completed. We will work with them to move the Just Ducky Shoppe into their venue.
 - C. Rob still has undelivered prizes from Lucky MacDuck Day. Since he is sick this evening, he will send us a list of the winners. If there is someone you know on the list and can contact them, let Rob know.
 - D. Duck Census: Melissa still has the ducks.
- V. **New Business:**
 - A. Grant Request: **Roger moved and Liz seconded to approve a \$500 request from Alma Public Schools Band to present a percussion workshop. Carried.**
 - B. LMD ticket sponsorship: Damian Sanderson of Highland Blush had agreed to pay us \$250 to print his ad on the reverse side of the tickets. He is unable to pay at this time. He suggested we could co-host a Roc the Mic Karaoke event, but our members declined.
 - C. Consider Amendment to Grant Guidelines: We discussed whether to raise our maximum grant amount, which would give us more flexibility. **Jan moved and Roger seconded to amend our grant guidelines to allow a maximum of \$1000 per grant.**
 - D. Lucky MacDuck Day and Alma Cyclocross: The two events occur every year on the same day. Cyclocross, which takes place off Bridge St., brings in people from across the country. Roger spoke with Brian Hancock who runs Cyclocross about how the

two organizations could work together for the benefit of both. Brian agreed and said he may be interested in buying about 100 LMD tickets which he would place in the packet each entrant receives. They run four races with breaks in between, so participants could come our way, enjoy the entertainment and perhaps have some lunch. The consensus of the Council is that Roger should speak further with Brian to try to create more cooperation between the two events.

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 December 6 with an Open House from 6 - 9:00.
- B. Gratiot County Players: Scott is directing the Christmas presentation: "Miss Bennet, Christmas at Pemberley," the first two weekends in December. They have a new light board which they acquired and are learning to use with the help of the person who does the lighting at the Alma College Heritage Center.
- C. The Arts Guild hosted a workshop by wildlife painter Rod Lawrence which was well-received.
- D. Liz Loyselle will direct the Breckenridge High School's Renaissance Dinner on December 14. Tickets are available at the schools.
- E. The Annual Come Home to Alma for the Holidays will take place on Friday, December 13.

VII. Announcements

- A. **Future Meetings:** 6:30 p.m. in the Four Seasons Room at First Presbyterian Church.
 - 1. December 2, 2019.
 - 2. January 6, 2020.

VIII. Adjournment at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Jeri Piccolo, Secretary