# PINE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES: May 4, 2020

I. A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President Beth Campbell in an online Zoom meeting.

#### B. Attendance:

**Present:** Kate Sandow, Beth Campbell, Craig Zeese, Jeri Piccolo, Rob DuHadway, Roger Allman, Scott Mackenzie, Melissa Strait, Al Bartholomew, Liz Loyselle,

Jan Caputo, Cheryl Barden **Excused:** Sandy Sheldon

Absent: none

II. Approval of Agenda: Kate moved and Roger seconded to approve the agenda. Carried.

## **III. Officers' Reports:**

- A. Secretary's Report: Melissa moved and Kate seconded to approve the March minutes. Carried. The April meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19.
- **B.** Treasurer's Report: The 2019 Year-end report was submitted by Jan. Ending cash on hand was \$10,278.93, with available funds of \$8,278.93. The April financial report showed ending cash on hand as \$4,804.82 and available cash as \$2,804.82. **Roger moved and Scott seconded to accept both reports. Carried.**

### **IV. Committee Reports:**

- A. Masked Singer Competition: Postponed indefinitely due to the Virus.
- B. Nominating Committee: To review, Iduna Bever and Dennis Marshall have resigned. The Nominating Committee of Beth, Roger, and Craig have delayed contacting five possible candidates for the Class of 2023, again, due to the virus quarantine.

## V. Unfinished Business:

A. Our Facebook page had been administered by Nicki Crandall, who moved away. Beth will see what she can do. If anyone else would like to volunteer for this, please let her know. Al continues to update our website.

## VI. New Business:

- A. 2020 Lucky MacDuck Family Fun Day: The event will be cancelled for this year. However, much discussion ensued about how we could continue our fund-raising so we can continue to provide grant assistance to local groups.
  - 1. It was decided to send letters to the local businesses who support us, as well as those individuals who support us by purchasing Quack-packs, etc., to let them know that we regret having to cancel and that we will not be asking for their financial support this year. We would, however, welcome any donations, so that we can still provide grants. Jan will procure the address labels from the Chamber. Jeri will forward our 2019 ticket purchase list, so we can send letters to our big ticket purchasers. Al will post the letter on the website.
  - 2. We discussed other fundraising options, including an online Art Auction.
  - 3. Small grants will still be considered, as long as we have the funds.

- 4. Jeri let us know that a group of citizens (including Nick Piccolo) is hoping to host an "Alma Reboot" as soon as it's sensible to do so. They hope to close Superior St. for a couple of blocks and allow groups to set up tables for activities. Restaurants can set up tables on the sidewalks, etc. We could sell Ducky Shoppe items and remind people we are still here!
- 5. Things to do regarding cancellation:
  - a. Call Rent-Rite and the library.
  - b. Call the college to cancel the use of dance platforms.
  - c. Kate will alert the Art Guild, and Roger will alert the City.

# VII. News from Art-related Organizations (alphabetically!):

- A. The Creative Arts Guild will host their annual show at the Elks this year in October.
- B. Gratiot County Players: They hope to perform "Mama Mia" the second and third weekends in September.
- C. DuHadway Dance Studio has been doing Zoom classes. Lots of them.
- D. Al and Liz are both continuing to teach piano lessons online.

### IX. Announcements

- A. **Future Meetings**: 6:30 p.m., either on Zoom or in the Four Seasons Room at First Presbyterian Church.
  - 1. June 1, 2020.
  - 2. July 6, 2020.

# X. Adjournment at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Jeri Piccolo, Secretary