

PINE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES:
August 3, 2020

- I. A. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 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, Jan Caputo, Cheryl Barden
 - Excused:** Sandy Sheldon
 - Absent:** Al Bartholomew, Liz Loyselle
- II. **Approval of Agenda: Roger moved and Rob seconded to approve the agenda. Carried.**
- III. **Officers' Reports:**
 - A. Secretary's Report:
 1. **Craig moved and Roger seconded to approve the May minutes. Carried.**
 2. The June meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19. An email update at the time thanked Jan for sending out letters to our sponsors and bulk duck purchasers. Our Facebook page has been updated to reflect the Lucky MacDuck Day cancellation. There were also reminders to other board members to be sure to carry out certain LMD related tasks.
 3. In late June we voted by email on a grant request for the Gratiot String Association for \$500. **It was moved by Scott and seconded by Melissa to amend it to \$250. Carried with one recusal. The amended grant proposal for \$250 was then carried with one recusal.**
 4. The July meeting was also cancelled.
 - B. Treasurer's Report: The July financial report showed ending cash on hand as \$5,430.49 and available cash as \$3,430.49. **Jeri moved and Rob seconded to accept the report. Carried.**
- IV. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. Masked Singer Competition: Postponed indefinitely due to the Virus.
 - B. Nominating Committee: The committee will meet and resume its pursuit of board members.
- V. **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. We had hoped to receive a grant from MCACA, but it turns out the money can't be used to host a fundraiser.
- VI. **New Business:**
 - A. Meeting frequency: For the duration of the pandemic, we will continue to meet (online) on the first Monday of the month, unless there is nothing new to discuss.
- VII. **News from Art-related Organizations (alphabetically!):**
 - A. String Fling, the summer program of the Gratiot String Association, is going strong. Thirteen students plan to perform outdoors on August 13 for their guests.
 - B. The Creative Arts Guild has postponed their pastel workshop to October.

- C. Gratiot County Players: “Mama Mia” has been postponed until May of 2021. They will present a one-person (Josh Zeitler) production of “The Last Man in Merrinsville” August 28, 29, & 30, and September 4, 5, & 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the alley next to the theater. Tickets will be available for \$10 beginning at 6:30 on those evenings. Social distancing will be observed.
- D. DuHadway Dance Studio did have a recital, and they plan to be open in the fall.
- E. The Academy of Performing Arts will perform at Island Park the second weekend of September.
- F. The Alma Community Art Center remains closed, but members are working on the renovation of the third section of the building.
- G. Alma College will present “Bigfoot Stole My Wife” by Ron Carlson, October 1-4.
- H. The Alma College Band will be performing in the fall.

IX. Announcements

- A. **Future Meetings:** 6:30 p.m., either on Zoom or in the Four Seasons Room at First Presbyterian Church.
 - 1. September 7 (Labor Day), 2020.
 - 2. October 5, 2020.

X. Adjournment at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Jeri Piccolo, Secretary