

PINE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

October 4, 2021

I. Call to Order at 6:33 in the Four Seasons Room of the First Presbyterian Church.

II. Attendance:

Present: Beth Campbell, Jeri Piccolo, Kate Sandow, Lisa Yoder, Cheryl Barden, Jason Barden, Sheryle Dixon, Roger Allman, Craig Zeese, Rob DuHadway

Excused: Jan Caputo, Liz Loyselle, Rosely Conz, Georgia Guiett

Absent: Al Bartholomew

Guest: Diane Clise

III. Approval of Agenda: **Roger moved and Jeri seconded to approve the agenda. Carried.**

VI. Officers Reports:

A. Secretary's Report: **Cheryl moved and Roger seconded to approve the August 23 minutes. Carried.**

B. Treasurer's Report: Jan is out of town, so the report is forthcoming.

VII. Committee Reports:

A. Lucky MacDuck Afterglow Party Highlights

1. Everyone brought food and we all enjoyed it!

2. Prizes were distributed to be delivered to the winners. The procedure went surprisingly quickly. Most prizes were awarded within a couple days.

3. The new ducky yellow slips used after the race were useful. A few changes will be made to make them more efficient next year.

4. We should discuss with Alma Alive to coordinate craft and food vendors.

5. We discussed how to eliminate noisy generators. Roger has since spoken with an engineer with the city who will investigate whether lines could be attached to the existing power poles.

6. Craig suggested offering fewer prizes, e.g. Win one of 50+ prizes!

VIII. Unfinished business: none.

IX. New Business:

A. Grant Request: Alma Community Art Center wants to offer art classes to disabled young adults twice a month. They requested \$500 from us to help them meet their goal.

Roger moved and Jason seconded to approve the grant for \$500. Carried.

B. Grant Request: Alma High School Theater Field Trip to Meadowbrook Theatre on the campus of Oakland University to see their presentation of "A Christmas Carol."

Craig moved and Jeri seconded to approve their grant request of \$371.71. Carried.

C. It was suggested that the online grant request form be converted to a fillable form.

X. News from Arts-related Organizations

- A. Alma High School Drama Class will present “Alice in Wonderland” the first weekend in November. Four show times.
- B. Gratiot County Players will present the musical “Mama Mia” the last two weekends in October, including Saturday matinees. Masks will be required and concessions will be limited to water bottles.
- C. Alma College will showcase the Opera House with three programs. Limited seating of 50. October 21 will be a night of period music from when the Opera House was new. November 18-20 will be dramas. December 2 will be silent movies with Tony Patterson playing the piano.
- D. The Alma Community Art Center still displays Dottie Wassenaar’s paintings. They are open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 11-4. Sign up now for fall classes including Diane Zakala teaching in the new pottery studio.
- E. Alma College will present the musical “The Addams Family” the last two weekends in October.

XI. Future Meetings, 6:30 p.m., Four Seasons Room of First Presbyterian Church

- 1. November 1, 2021
- 2. December 6, 2021

XII. Adjournment of Meeting: 7:10 p.m.

Submitted by Jeri Piccolo, Secretary