

PINE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

April 3, 2023

- I. Public Comment: Melanie Lewis presented a Grant Request from the Creative Arts Guild.
- II. Called to Order at 6:42 p.m. in the Four Seasons Room of the First Presbyterian Church of Alma.
- III. Attendance:

Present: Cheryl Barden, Beth Campbell, Jan Caputo, Kate Crombe, Kate Sandow, Bruce Maki, Jason Barden, Georgia Guiett, Angie Ballard, Craig Zeese, Jeri Piccolo
Excused: Sheryle Dixon, Roger Allman, Liz Loyselle
Absent: Al Bartholomew
- IV. Approval of Agenda: **Jason moved and Georgia seconded to approve the Agenda. Carried.**
- V. Officers Reports:
 - A. Secretary's Report: **Cheryl moved and Kate seconded to approve the March minutes. Jeri abstained. Carried.**
 - B. Treasurer's Report:
 1. March 2023 Financial Report showed ending cash on hand of \$7,564.60 and available cash of \$5,564.60.
 2. We've received a donation from a patron who, last summer, donated thru the United Way, which only passes on those donations to recipients once a year, after deducting two 7% fees from the total. Jeri will send the donor a (belated!) thank you note.
 3. A reminder that annual dues would be gratefully accepted.
 4. The report was accepted.
- VI. Committee reports:
 - A. Evenings in the Park (Tuesdays, Wright Park):
 1. Dates: July 11: Cabaret
July 18: Third Coast Steel Drum Band
July 25: Broken Glass String Band
August 1: Scottish Folk Music
August 8: Historical Evening with Lisa Yoder
August 15: Central Michigan Area Concert Band
 2. Jan relayed a brief history of PRAC as it relates to interactions with other local groups.
 3. Contracts have been sent to performers. One has already been returned.
 4. Two people representing Gratiot Neighbors for CommUNITY are on this committee. They asked if their group name could be on our publicity as a sponsor of the Evenings. It was decided not to do this, but to suggest that they bring their own publicity in the possible forms of wearing their group tee-shirts, setting up a table, or displaying a sign.
 5. Beth will apply for the license for this event.
 - B. Nominating Committee
 1. Beth, Jeri, Angie, and Bruce agreed to serve.

2. Terms are ending for Roger, Cheryl, Jan, Georgia, and Liz. Roger and Liz have opted not to continue as board members at this time.

VII. Unfinished Business:

- A. Grant Report: Chalk the Walk/Damian Sanderson (event 5/22/21). As the Highland Blush has gone out of business, ever receiving this report is a lost cause.
- B. Grant Report: ACAC, Art with Friends Project (ends summer 2023)
- C. Grant Report: Alma HS Stratford Trip (5/4/23)
- D. Grant Report: Alma College Artistic Expression (3/22/2023)

VII. New Business:

- A. Grant Request: Creative Arts Guild Spring Show. **Jan moved and Jeri seconded to approve a grant of \$700. Carried. Bruce and Kate abstained.** Jan handed out sheets which displayed individual grants and amounts dating back to 2002.
- B. The new issue of the Gratiot County Community Guide STILL has our incorrect phone number. After several years of calling to correct it and being assured it would be corrected, Jan has sent a letter, because if anyone calls that number now, an actual person will answer, as the number has been re-issued.
- C. **The Nominating Committee has nominated Cheryl B., Jan, Georgia, and Sandy Sheldon for the Class of 2026. Jason seconded. Carried.** Suggestions for new members include Alan Schafer and Dana Molands.

IX. News from our local arts organizations:

- A. Alma Community Art Center (ACAC) is hosting a show of the art of Diane Clise through April 26. The Center is open Tuesdays through Thursdays, 11-4:00.
- B. The Creative Arts Guild of Mid-Michigan will host their Spring Art Show at the Alma Elks Lodge, April 20-23. Thursday – Saturday: Noon-7 p.m. The Meet the Artists Reception will be Sunday, April 23, Noon – 4:00.

X. Future Meetings:

- A. 6:30 p.m. Four Seasons Room of First Presbyterian Church in Alma
 1. May 2 (also Lucky MacDuck – approximately at 7:00)
 2. June 5 (also LMD)
- B. Lucky MacDuck 2023: Saturday, September 9.

IV. Adjournment at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Jeri Piccolo (secretary)

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LUCKY MACDUCK COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE -- MEETING MINUTES

- I. Called to order at 7:30 p.m.; Attendance:
 - A. Present: Cheryl Barden, Beth Campbell, Jan Caputo, Kate Crombe, Kate Sandow, Bruce Maki, Jason Barden, Georgia Guiett, Angie Ballard, Craig Zeese, Jeri Piccolo, Jordan Campbell
 - B. Excused: Roger Allman, Sheryle Dixon, Liz Loyselle, Ron Campbell
- II. Approval of Agenda. **Georgia moved and Cheryl seconded to approve.**
- III. Appoint Committee Chairs – no changes.
- IV. LMD Committee Business
 - A. Administration Beth Campbell.
The raffle license will be applied for in April.
 - B. Finances Jan Caputo.
Discussion pertaining to the use of cash vs. other payment methods.
 - C. Vendors/Non-profits ?? The city will not be doing Alma Alive on the same date, so we will go back to doing our own vendor/nonprofit recruitment.
 - D. Public Relations Print: Jan Caputo; Online: Katie Crombe
Put out Save the Date items. (Beth has Facebook access as administrator; Al has the website.)
 - E. Quackactivities Cheryl Barden, ??
Will have the ever-popular face-painting and slime. People requested the return of “classes” such as jujitsu. The Pine Duck races will return. Cheryl is looking for wood to make ducks.
 - F. Prizes/Sponsors Beth Campbell, Craig Zeese, Kate Sandow
Letter to go out in May for Evenings in the Park and Lucky MacDuck. Kits to decorate ducks will be available at the Evenings in the Park. Deadline must be set for sponsors to make it onto posters.
 - G. Entertainment Jason Barden – no report
 - H. Tickets Jeri Piccolo
 - I. Volunteers Sheryle Dixon, Beth Campbell
Sign ups for volunteers at large and at the college.
 - J. Facilities/Grounds Ron Campbell
Everything is set with Rent-Rite.
 - K. Food Ron Campbell
Will contact the Health Dept. and some pizza places.
 - L. Just Ducky Shoppe Sheryle Dixon, Bruce Maki, Angie Ballard
 - M. CAG Show Kate Sandow
 - N. Duck Race Jordan Campbell
Will need more volunteers for in the river.
 - O. After-glow Party Ron & Beth Campbell
- V. Adjournment at 8:20 p.m.