

**PINE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

August 7, 2023

- I. Public Comment: None.
- II. Called to Order at 6:30 p.m. in the Four Seasons Room of the First Presbyterian Church of Alma.
- III. Attendance:
Present: Angie Ballard, Cheryl Barden, Jason Barden, Beth Campbell, Katie Crombe, Georgia Guiett, Dana Molands, Jeri Piccolo, Kate Sandow, Craig Zeese
Excused: Jan Caputo, Ty Daniels, Sheryle Dixon, Bruce Maki
Absent: Al Bartholomew
For LMD purposes: Ron Campbell, Jordan Campbell
- IV. Approval of Agenda: **Jason moved and Kate seconded to approve the Agenda. Carried.**
- V. Officers Reports:
 - A. Secretary's Report: **Kate moved and Angie seconded to approve the July minutes. Carried. Jeri abstained.**
 - B. Treasurer's Report:
 1. The July 2023 PRAC Financial Report showed ending cash on hand of \$6,896.32 and available cash of \$4,896.32. Al will be reimbursed for paying for the website. Gratiot County Players returned our check (which paid for wood for the ducks), and they will be the sponsor for the final Evening in the Park.
 2. The July 2023 Evening in the Park Financial Report showed a negative cash figure of -\$294.59.
 3. The reports were accepted.
- VI. Committee reports:
 - A. Evenings in the Park (7 p.m. Tuesdays, Wright Park. Rain location: His Place at the Church of God on Superior St.).
 1. Dates: July 11: Cabaret
 July 18: Third Coast Steel Drum Band
 July 25: Broken Glass String Band
 August 1: Trad: Hannah Harris. Celtic music.
 August 8: Historical Evening with Lisa Yoder
 August 15: Central Michigan Area Concert Band
 2. Committee members will be present each evening. We will also be selling LMD race tickets and 50/50 raffle tickets, as well as tee-shirts. Attendance for the first four evenings was approximately 150, 175, 65, and 75.
 - B. Lucky MacDuck Committee of the Whole will report at the end of this portion.
- VII. Unfinished Business:
 - A. Grant Report: ACAC, Art with Friends Project (ends summer 2023).
 - B. Grant Report: ACAC, Kathleen Conover Workshop (ends 7/27/23).
- VIII. New Business:

- A. Grant Request: an updated request to subsidize music performers for the St. Louis Farmers Market. **Craig moved and Angie seconded to approve the grant for \$675. Carried.**

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- IX. News from our local arts organizations:
- A. Gratiot County Players Summer Youth Workshop will present “Lion King, Jr.” Aug. 11, 12, 13. Friday & Saturday at 7:30 and Saturday & Sunday at 2:30.
 - B. Auditions for GCP’s fall production of Oklahoma will be Saturday, August 26, at 1:00 at the Strand Theater.
- X. Future Meetings:
- A. 6:30 p.m. in the Four Seasons Room of First Presbyterian Church in Alma
 - 1. No meeting Sept. 4.
 - 2. Thursday, September 7 (only LMD). Please bring any tickets and money received.
 - 3. October 2, 2023.
 - B. Lucky MacDuck Day 2023: Saturday, September 9.
 - C. September 17, 4 p.m. After-Glow Party at 975 Glencoe Rd., Alma
- XI. Adjournment at 7:00 p.m.

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LUCKY MACDUCK COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE -- MEETING MINUTES

- I. Called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Approval of Agenda. **Cheryl moved and Angie seconded to approve.**
- III. Appoint Committee Chairs – no changes.
- IV. LMD Committee Business
- A. **Administration** Beth Campbell. We need to find a golf cart to borrow. Ron will ask someone at the college. Check about the sign on Superior St.—in the past Al and Craig set it up.
 - B. **Finances** Jan Caputo. The July 2023 Lucky MacDuck Financial Report showed ending cash on hand of \$919.68.
 - C. **Vendors/Non-profits** Angie Ballard, Beth, & Katie Crombe. Angie was contacted by a vendor from Ithaca who would like to come. Suggestion was made to contact some artists whose products are displayed at ACAC. In the past, we asked vendors to pay us 10% of their profits, but capped at \$25.
 - D. **Public Relations** Print: Jan Caputo. There are new posters for various purposes. The 2023 Sponsor List will be at Evenings in the Park. Online: Katie Crombe & Al.
 - E. **Quackactivities** Cheryl Barden and friends. The wood to make the derby ducks is at the prison for inmates to cut the shapes. The college Chem Club (Nancy and Joel Dopke) will help the kids make slime.
 - F. **Prizes/Sponsors** Beth Campbell, Craig Zeese, Kate Sandow. They will distribute posters to sponsors to place in their windows.
 - G. **Entertainment** Jason Barden – A subgroup of the Broken Strings will perform.

There are still two half-hour spots open. Christie Freestone agreed to find a piper for us.

- H. **Tickets** Jeri Piccolo – We need volunteers to sell at Ballyhoo Books. It was agreed to end attempts to sell at the rather poorly attended St. Louis Farmers Market.
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- I. **Volunteers** Sheryle Dixon, Beth Campbell
<https://signup.com/go/tJhYdsy> is the site to use for college volunteers to sign up. Students get credit for volunteering.
Ron Campbell. He applied for the food license and will soon

- J. **Facilities/Grounds**
order the food.

- K. **Food**

Ron Campbell: Still investigating pizza possibilities.

- L. **Just Ducky Shoppe**

Sheryle Dixon, Bruce Maki, Angie Ballard

- M. **CAG Show**

Kate Sandow

She has reserved the Smith Room for the Art Show.

- N. **Duck Race**

Jordan Campbell – Check with Al to be sure about his canoe. We have three volunteers to be in the river.

- O. **After-glow Party**

Ron & Beth Campbell

At their home on Sept. 17 at 4 p.m.

- V. Adjournment: **Cheryl moved and Angie seconded to adjourn at 7:40. Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted by Jeri Piccolo (secretary)

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