

ZAAC board met on Monday, Dec 2 at Zumbrota Library. Present: Bill Marx, Marit Lomen, Pam Shaw, Ronda Sand

Guest Clarissa Hadler. Since there was not a quorum, we were not able to vote but had discussion on topics listed below.

Spirits of Zumbrota: Clarissa Hadler gave an overview of the "Spirits of Zumbrota" event that the Rotary Club has sponsored for 9 years, but it will not be continuing in the future, unless another group agrees to take it forward.

The event has consisted of wine tasting, appetizer buffet, music, auction of donated items, raffle and games. Last year this was held at the VFW. About 300 people usually attend this event held in the last weekend in April, and it has raised up to \$15,000 each year in the past.

Clarissa has a folder with all the detailed information, which she will hand off to any group willing to take over this event.

Discussion continued regarding the resources required to put on this event and the need for a chairperson who could dedicate time and provide direction to the many volunteers needed to host a successful event. This will be explored further.

Financial report: Checking account balance is \$13,699.48

Membership: 107 members at present.

Building Committee: Ronda reported that Dick Wedge is working on a floorplan draft for the theater, using original blueprints and the original Encore architect plan. Input will also be needed from structural, mechanical and electrical engineers. The committee meets again on January 6.

Movies: Movies held at the theater during 2013, with a few exceptions, did not earn a profit. One exception is the school field trips and Ronda will offer more of these to surrounding schools. Otherwise only two additional movies are planned at this time: Fargo and To Kill a Mockingbird.

Auditions: Auditions for the film being made in Zumbrota will be held Tuesday Dec 3. An LLC has been set up and monies donated are being held in a savings account so they can be returned in the event the project would not go forward.

EDA Grant: No info yet

Signers on Account: Will revisit at next meeting.

Annual Meeting: Is planned for February. Jennifer, Joan and Flora are the planning committee.

T shirts: Still being investigated Zoning meeting: Ronda will attend on Dec 10 to represent the theater.

Theatre property taxes: It was noted these declined by 1.3%

Fundraising Event: Jeff Smith and Brett Edstrom are planning an event at the theater on February 22 with any proceeds going to the theater. The topic is bird hunting and bird dogs and will include book signings by authors on these topics.

Operating costs: Bill recommends having a committee to look at creative ways to improve operating income. Ronda is also applying for grants that could help cover operating costs.

Meeting adjourned.

Marit Lomen, Recorder

Next meet is Jan. 6, 7 p.m. at the Library