

Zumbrota Area Arts Council board minutes, January 3rd, 2022

Members present in person and via Zoom: Bill Marx, Roxanne Bartsh, Linda Smith, Kevin Klapperich, Billy Wendt, Mary La Roche, Janice Carr. Members not present: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00PM

November minutes approved, motion by Linda, second by Janice

Treasurer's report: Kevin gave treasurer report, current balance \$50,319.67. New bank signature cards have been completed by Kevin, Dave Zimmerman, Bill, and Linda. Kevin will contact Dave Zimmerman to schedule a presentation of ZAAC finances to benefit the newer Board members at an upcoming meeting.

Membership report: Bill announced that the membership remains stable at 79 members.

Theatre report: Roxanne reported that the fundraising effort for the theatre remodeling is now over \$220,000 and donations continue to come in. They are working with Benike Construction on estimates for the work. Due to incomplete building prints available they need to do some minor investigative demolition work at a cost not to exceed \$1500 which the board already approved as it is necessary to get an accurate bid. It should be an exciting year of events at the theatre as there are already five music concerts scheduled and Z-Theatre is planning their performance of Mama-Mia that was postponed due to Covid considerations. It was also discussed that the Board would like to get some simple instructions on the basic operation of theatre stage lighting in case a lighting operator is not available for a performance.

Music in the Park report: Janice reported that she is starting to look at possible bands for the summer music schedule and is open to suggestions. There is plenty of time but would like to start getting ideas.

Friends of the Theatre: Linda reported that they have decided to dissolve the group due to only comprising of two remaining members. The Friends of the Theatre memberships will be converted to ZAAC memberships for those that do not already belong.

Art on Main : Linda opened the discussion about whether there is interest to have either virtual art sale or host it during the town festival. It does take a lot of time and work to coordinate and it's becoming more difficult to get artist submissions. The city has a good supply of banners if we decided not to have the art contest this year. After some discussion Mary volunteered to help Linda with coordinating the art on main contest.

Youth Art Contest: Bill led a discussion on whether or not to hold the Youth Art Contest. One of the big hurdles is timing the contest so the school age kids can participate and have the voting completed before school is out. Discussed gathering submissions over the summer and displaying items at the Zumbrota Library or during the town festival.

Next Meeting is scheduled for February 7th at 7:00PM. Agenda will be sent out before the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.