

## ARTS COUNCIL BOARD MINUTES – September 1, 2009

PRESENT: Lynn Gifford, Mary-Carel Verden, Amy McFarland, Bill Brehm, Christina Dollhausen

EXCUSED: John Beutel, Coleen Kehl, , Norma Standing, Bill Howard, David Phillips, Kathryn Jones

The meeting called to order at 9:03 a.m.

August Minutes presented and reviewed. Motion to approve by Brehm second by Gifford. August minutes were approved.

### OLD BUSINESS

- Website – 93 hits. 49, 68, 30 on directory. 32 on events page. SOH events are up, Reminded everyone to submit events for Upcoming Events on website.
- Treasurer’s report – About \$700 in account.
- Halloween Art Contest —Request to members needs to be sent to secure judges.
- School project to develop future displays. --- Lynn has scheduled Art Teacher Show for October 16 – she’ll ask about semi-permanent contributions from them or students.
- Arts Wisconsin & Ann Katz follow-up:
  - Letter of support for the Arts Council drafted and sent to her.
  - facilitated planning meeting – tentatively scheduled for October 7Hold ideas for after the planning meeting:
  - workshop on surviving the economy –
  - awards to supporting officials —
  - Katz speaking at rotary-type organizations
  - business lunch with Chamber
- Membership
  - Benefits - Switching to annual membership
    - Keep listing/link as it is
    - Workshops and meetings – no charge to members, charge for non-members
    - Consider Hot listings for members – they come first in sections with logo and hot links, others come later in alpha order with info but not hot links
- Meeting of the Whole
  - Do membership drive in conjunction with meeting of the whole
  - Get elected officials there – email
  - Bring a buddy to the meeting
  - At Robert Rae gallery Sept 24
  - Performers and authors and speakers - – consider David Lynch talking about the artistic spirit (lives in Dane county), Ben Sidran, Suzy Favor Hamilton
  - Consider video version of the meeting
- Benefits
  - McFarland proposed that 2010 membership benefits include all previously listed benefits, with a specific definition of arts council directory listing all artists regardless of membership will be listed with name address and phone and short description, and members will be allowed hot email address, hot website link and longer descriptions. Membership will be annual and members will receive free admission to any paid arts council event. Brehm seconded. By acclamation without a quorum.
- Yahara River Show HO HO! Is coming up, will be sponsored by Arts Council to benefit Opera House and Food Pantry.
- NEW BUSINESS

Next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 8:30 a.m.

Brehm moved to adjourn, McFarland seconded, at 10:50 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary-Carel Verden