



Village Arts Coalition

VAC Meeting Date: January 19, 2009

Location: Avalon Building

Board Attendees: Melba Shepard, Deborah Howard, Steward Hartman, Robert Schaedla, Anne Vickery, Jane Bunin, Betty England, Willard Crary, Caroline Stepanek, Carla McKenna, Chuck Palmer, Susan Reisser. Avalon Representative: Hermine Higgins. Guest: Rod Frehlich.

Meeting was called to order by Melba at 7:10 PM.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of December 15, 2008 minutes – Chuck moved, Deborah seconded, passed unanimously. Willard amended that the next meeting date should have been January 19, 2009.
2. **FDIG Share Consideration:** Steward introduced Rod Frehlich, an FDIG investor, who will be considered for Stan Wilkes' voting share.
3. **International Festival:** Hermine met with Ilana, who handled scheduling of performances, and Beverly Baker, who will assume Ilana's festival role. Robert will assist Hermine with contacting vendors.
4. **Stomp:** Caroline will update next month.
5. **Web Site:** Chuck reported that he has communicated with Judy and will let her execute changes as she sees best. Marshal will take over as webmaster. Video has been added, and members can post YouTube videos.
6. **Ingvar's Party Planning:** Melba gave a detailed report of the party plans. Arnold Guminski will emcee. The committee will hire four teens to handle food and the kitchen. Chuck and Halina have allowed the use of dinnerware, which will save the VAC considerable expense. 250 attendees are anticipated.
7. **Membership Reminder:** Annual dues should be paid. Stan sent letters to member groups, and 15 have paid, representing about half the member groups.
8. **Avalon Report:** Chuck reported progress with the volunteer-installed floor extension. He has responded to the county. The long range planner, followed by the city, has been a problem, and he has requested further review. Chuck stated this is a normal process. He is hoping for review soon, and when the planning committee meets, we need a significant presence. Hermine reports that rentals have picked up.

The next regular board meeting is February 16, at 7 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM, Melba motioned, Carla seconded, unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Reisser