



Village Arts Coalition

VAC Meeting

Date: September 21, 2009

Location: Avalon Building

Board Attendees: Carla McKenna, Caroline Stepanek, Steward Hartman, Deborah Howard, Jane Bunin, Marshall Shapiro, Melba Shepard, Robert Schaedla, Stan Wilkes, Chuck Palmer, Willard Crary. Guest: Jeff Huntlo.

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

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the August 17 meeting were approved. Marshall made the motion, Deborah seconded.
2. **Financial:** Stan gave a financial report of Avalon. Income was about \$5,500 less than this time last year, and expenses were slightly greater. It is still profitable.
3. **Nominating Committee:** Jane reported for the Nominating Committee. Dave, Robert, Marshall, Steward and Caroline have agreed to run for reelection. Betty is retiring from the board. Robert has agreed to be nominated as president, Steward vice president, Susie continuing as secretary and Deborah as treasurer. Jeff Huntlo is considering nomination.
4. **Stomp:** Caroline reported that PIP is closing business and will turn their customer base over to Colt Printing. Colt does not have a graphic design employee to do the lay-out. Caroline is negotiating with a former PIP graphic artist and with Colt to publish the next issue of Stomp.
5. **Web Site:** Marshall reported that the past month saw a 22% increase in traffic on our web site, probably due to the calendar. 40 to 60 hits a day.
6. **Celebration Planning:** Melba presented a draft schedule for the event, which was done by Ingvar. Marshall expressed concern about some parts of it and will speak with Ingvar about it. Also, the schedule shows activity on only two floors, the possibility of using all three floors for teaching, was discussed.
7. **Annual Meeting:** The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 25 at 4:30, Anne's home. Anne wants to encourage board members to bring a substantial contribution to the potluck. Robert and Melba will create an agenda for the meeting. Members agreed to cancel the regular Monday meeting of the board. In October.
8. **VAC Library:** A discussion was held, of Lavinia Ycas' offer to establish a VAC Library at the Avalon, using a collection of folkdance materials contributed by Alex Wilson. Deborah moved that the VAC create a library of media concerning music and dance and that Lavinia Ycas be appointed the first library director. Marshall seconded the motion. Passed with a unanimous vote.

Jeff Pontillo, a leader of an improv dance group, BIJA, which meets weekly, at the Avalon, joined the meeting. He was introduced as a potential board member.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.