



Village Arts Coalition

Minutes: VAC Board Meeting July 12, 2012 at the home of Susan Smith. Called to order by Larry at 7:04 PM

1. **Present:** Larry Utter, Caroline Stepanek, Melba Shepard, Susan Smith, Susie Reisser, Chuck Palmer, Willard Crary, Jim Borzysm, Rick Thompson
2. **Guest:** Christina Geck of CFootmad
3. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** - Chuck; Susan seconded; motion passed.
4. **Standing Reports**
 - a. **Treasurer** - Stan's report – A question arose over two months of double salary for the manager. Chuck explained it referred to when Hermine was let go with two months of payment, and Rick took over.
 - b. **Avalon** - Chuck has been very pleased with Rick as manager. The stage dry wall is painted. Next – the drop ceiling, finish electrical, bathroom renovations have started. Homeless situation - Patrick has been made unwelcome. John is helpful, will live at homeless shelter paying rent. Investigating possibility of solar roof garden. Little or no progress has been made in the past month on Sodal Hall drawings. Other things were a higher priority. Chuck expects greater progress this next month. Two of metal sculptured sunflowers were stolen. Air conditioning has been fixed. Work parties will resume when Steward returns. Re: Arapahoe Road pedestrian access, Chuck has talked with the city. Rerouted sump pump of parking lot.
 - c. **Stomp**- Amy is working out well as a layout person.
 - d. **Web Site** - no report.
5. **Review of Goals** – We haven't established a clearly defined list and strategy. We should recast them into a tier of topics, suggested by Jim. To be done offline. Larry will send out initial set, followed by meeting at Jim's house, July 18 to determine these and their implementation.
6. **Business**
 - a. **International Festival** – We don't have financial numbers yet. Larry thought it was very impressive, but a lot of work for the few who do work. Discussion ensued about whether to continue. We weren't clear that we were to provide volunteers, so this year was especially difficult. Hermine might continue to run it if assured of volunteers. We need a committee with a chair. City needs to be called about potential new charges. If the dance community can't support it, perhaps we should stop. Volunteer burnout is a huge problem. Jim will submit the grant. Thank you letters have been sent. In the interim, while we make a decision, Willard will chair a committee.
 - b. **Rod's Memorial** - he was an early and active member of VAC. VAC will contribute flowers for the tables. Susan will take care of it. Willard - "I move

the VAC provide 13 or more floral centerpieces for Rod's memorial." Melba seconded. Passed.

- c. **Avalon Benefit/Dance** - Rick received a proposal for an Avalon benefit dance for 6th anniversary of Avalon from Terri Rasmussen, who agreed to chair a multi-group dance party on a Sunday afternoon. We could help. Rick will get it on the calendar. October 21? We agreed to support it.
 - d. **Annual Meeting** - We have to have one, with elections. But should we consider extending the year by a few months, so we can shift it to a fiscal basis? Need to get Bylaws amended. Suggestions included possibly having a short annual meeting after the party on the 21st. We agreed to amend the Bylaws and move the annual meeting to the spring. Will notify membership. Willard will write the amendment and send to the board.
- 7. **Next Meeting** - Susan's house, Willard will run, August 2.
 - 8. **Motion to Adjourn** – Jim; Willard seconds. Passed. Adjourned 9:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Reisser
Secretary