

Bossier Arts Council
Board of Director Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2006

The General Membership and Board meeting was held in East Bank Theatre. The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 5:35P.M. In attendance were Holly French, Terri Mathews, Carol Reyenga, Ed Allen, Jane Barton, Donna Cherry, John Cook, Pam Glorioso, Cathleen Johnson, Jolene Johnson, Chris Keenan, Linda Morse,, Diana Pratt-Wyatt, Chris Stoll and David White.

Agenda was approved with a motion from Holly French and second from Jane Barton. The minutes were approved with a motion from Donna Cherry and a second from Pam Glorioso.

Carol Reyenga gave the Treasurer's report. The report was approved by a motion from John Cook and seconded by Chris Keenan.

Holly French presented the resolution from the Executive Committee that Richard Folmer be hired as the new executive director. Board members approved resolution and welcomed Richard Folmer.

Richard Folmer, Executive Director for the Bossier Arts Council, thanked all for their support. In his director's report:

- He assured the Board and BAC members that no ideas will be put in place without Board Notification and or Approval.
- He asked the Board and members to be thinking about a Fundraiser as the committee will meet in July, and to be thinking about someone to fill the position for East Bank Gallery curator.
- He has spoken with Richard Dubois about possibly moving the Sculpture from it is current position to in front of the BAC Annex.
- He informed the BAC membership that Dr. Bob Robinson generously covered the cost to send Shaun Grimshaw, BAC secretary, to an event planning class.
- He informed the BAC membership the Clavinova and plaque has been delivered and is in the foyer of East Bank Theatre.
- He is in the process of working with the Senior Theatre. The Senior Theatre will be managed and directed by Dick King. There will be two performances in EBT on Monday or Tuesday night and 3 to 4 performances in assisted living venues.
- He is in the process of having poetry, chamber music, and possibly the Prevailing Winds perform in East Bank Theatre.
- He and Anne are in the process of up dating BAC web site
- He been made aware of the benefits of working with the Louisiana Partnership for the Arts. The LPA has been instrumental in supporting and obtaining arts funding for Louisiana.
- He is continuing to search for more class opportunities for visual and performing arts.

- He encouraged Board Members to think about a Christmas Party in December, possibly on the Wednesday before Seeing Stars In Dixie opens.
- He has the opportunity to serve on a committee designated by the City of Bossier to celebrate Bossier turning 100 years old. The BAC will participate somehow pending agenda and board approval.

John Cook presented to Holly French on behalf of Gilbert & Sullivan a check for \$250.00 for the BAC part in selling raffle tickets for G&S.

The General Membership and Board of Directors were presented with the slate of officers by Holly French. The 2006-2007 Slate of Officers is as follows:

President	Holly French
Vice President	Terri Mathews
Vice President of Fundraising	Bob Robinson
Secretary	Donna Cherry
Treasurer	Carol Reyenga

The floor was open to nominations, none were given, vote was taken, and the following officers were elected unanimously

President	Holly French
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The new officers installed and were presented gifts by the BAC staff.

The 2006-07 Budget was presented by Holly French to the General Membership and Board Members, the budget approved.

Holly French thanked Board of Directors and presented gifts to the 2005-06 Executive Committee.

David White presented an amendment change to the By-Laws, (see attached sheet). Terri Mathews stated that changes could not be voted one at this meeting but could be voted on at the next board meeting.

Cathleen Johnson, Chairman of Arts, Education and Grants presented the end of the year report and outlook for the up coming year

Grants Awarded to BAC 05-06

- Arts-In-Education
- AIE Partnership 1: Cynthia Garner taught basic drawing in each third grade classroom in Bossier Parish (5 days/class)
- AIE Partnership 2: BAC coordinated arts programming on BPSB's 21st Century After School Advantage program; students at Bossier Elementary and Plantation Park Elementary finished the school year with end of year show thanks to BAC artists, Tarama and Jerry Davenport
- Decentralized Arts Fund Grants for 2005-06: \$43,042
 - Airline High School "Broadway Through The Years"
 - Apollo Elementary "Shreveport Opera Xpress in Bossier Parish Elementary Schools"
 - Bellaire Elementary School Field Trip to The Nutcracker Ballet
 - Bossier Parish Library System "Stories for Seniors"
 - Bossier Parish School Board "Louisiana Lore"
 - The Company Repertory Theatre "The CRT's Theatre Eclectic"
 - Cope Middle School Field Trip to The Wizard of OZ Ballet
 - The Prevailing Winds "All That Jazz"
 - The Prevailing Winds "Red River Holiday"
- Other Grants Awarded to BAC
 - Louisiana Division of the Arts General Operating Grant \$32,000 (over 2 years)
 - Citizens National Bank \$1,200
 - American for the Arts \$1,200
 - Harrah's \$5,000 (SeniorTheatre)
- Receiving Decentralized Arts Fund Grants for 2006-07. The Bossier Arts Council will receive approximately \$43,042
- Receiving Local Arts Agency Grant for 2006-2008. The Bossier Arts Council will receive approximately \$32,000.
- Applied for LDOA Grant Capacity Building. Amount requested \$10,818.00. This grant will review current capacities of governance, management, marketing, outreach tools and procedures to identify the following BAC's strength and weakness; specific areas for improvement & implementation strategies to address areas of concern. Resulting in assessment of current procedures, short-term and long term goals.
- Applied for AIE Planning Grant. Amount requested \$2,640.00. The Bossier Arts Council will partner with the Bossier Parish School Board, to plan programming with goals consistent with the La State Dept of Education arts content standards for Grades 3 and 5.
- Will apply to Beaird Foundation to assist with statue for veterans home
- Continuing to seek grant funding
- Deadline for DAF & Pas June 30, 2006

John Cook present for approval the East Bank Theatre and Galley season as follows

<p><u>EBT Season 2006-07</u> <u>Ordinary People</u> (Drama) Richard Folmer - Director Sept. 22, 23,24, 29, 30 & Oct 1 2006 <u>Red River Revue</u> October 27, 28, & 29, 2006 <u>Seeing Stars in Dixie</u> (Comedy) Dick King – Director Dec. 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, & 10, 2006 <u>The Outsiders</u> (Teen Age Drama) Mary Joris – Director Jan. 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, & 28, 2007 Company Rep <u>Twelfth Night</u> Shakespeare Company Rep Heather Peak Hooper – Director March 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, & 18, 2006 <u>Pete & Keely</u> Richard Folmer – Director April 27, 28, 29, May 4, 5, & 6, 2007 <u>Theatre Eclectic</u> June 8&9, 2007</p>	<p>East Bank Gallery Schedule 2006-2007 June 5 – July 31 Cookie Garner August 7 – September 27 Fletcher Thorne-Thompson October 1 – November 27 Larry Milford and Cary Ellington December 4 – January 3, 2007 Student Art Show and Competition January 8- February 28 Creative Art Connection March 5 – April 25 Hoover Watercolor Society May 7 – May 30 Chris Nolan June 4 – July 31 Melba Miller (Pastels)</p>
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John Cook made a motion to accept this schedule and seconded by Pam Glorioso. The motion was approved

With no further business, Terri Mathews made a motion to adjourn and with a second from Chris Keenan the meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Cherry