

**Bossier Arts Council
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
August 7, 2006**

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 5:40 P.M. In attendance were Holly French, Terri Mathews, Bob Robinson, Donna Cherry, Jerry Allen, Ed Allen, Jane Barton, Clay Brock, John Cook, Pam Glorioso, Cathleen Johnson, Jolene Johnson, Chris Keenan, Chris Stoll and David White. Those not present were Carol Reyenga, Marlene Harner, Linda Morse, and Diana-Pratt-Wyatt.

Agenda was approved with a motion from Jolene Johnson and a second from Clay Brock. The Minutes were approved with a motion from Terri Mathews and a second from Ed Allen. Anne Susman gave the Treasurer's report in place of Carol Reyenga. The report was approved with a motion from Bob Robinson and a second from Donna Cherry.

Holly French gave the President's Report stating that Bossier Arts Council has completed the questionnaire presented by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor in order that Mr. Bates may audit the BAC accounts. Holly also encouraged all Board Members to stay for the opening of Fletcher-Thorn Thomsen Photography exhibit.

Holly called upon the committee chairs to give their reports

East Bank Theatre and Galley Committee report was given by John Cook. He asked members of the board to sign-up for theatre receptions as the receptions for the galley have been covered. The BAC realizes that board members may have to work more than one reception and hopes that members will assist the BAC in theatre receptions. Theatre reception sign-up sheet was passed around. The Committee reported

- the opening of Fletcher Thorn-Thomsen Show opening at 6:30 this evening
- Senior Theatre was made possible by a Grant from Harrah's Horseshoe Casino in the amount of \$5,000 and the program will be directed by Dick King.
- Jamie Sanders will serve as curator for East Bank Gallery. He reported that several people were interview and the decision was made to hire Jamie Sanders. The floor was open for discussion .Bob Robinson and Jane Barton both felt that this was a great idea.

Arts, Education and Grants report was given by Cathleen Johnson.

The Committee reported

- Did not receive funding for Capacity Building Grant
- Awarded \$2,000 in State DOA grant
- Working with Bossier Parish School Board for the After School Advantage Program. BAC will have a larger role than years past. BAC hopes to be able to provide a meeting place for parents and children
- Anne Attended grant workshop; workshop provided a lot of innovative ideas
- Will have grant panel on August 11, 2006

Fundraising, Finance & Membership report was given by Terri Mathews

The Committee reported

- The Red River Revue will be held October 27, 28, & 29, 2006.
- The Board needs to promote RRR XIII.
- Each board member is responsible for raising \$150 through the sell of 10 tickets (\$15 per ticket) minimum. Any board members that does not raise \$150.00 will be assessed the difference between what monies were turned in and what monies are still outstanding. This assessment will be added the board member's membership dues at the end of the year.
- the By-Laws be amended under Article VII Section A to have the following sentence to the end of the paragraph to state
 - **“however, only the Board of Director may hire, fire or ask for the resignation of the Executive Director. The Executive Committee may make a recommendation concerning the hiring or firing of the Executive Director, and may suspend, with or without pay the Executive Director, pending action by the Board.”**

Discussion on this amendment to place; noted that sometimes the Board decision could move slow and this article allows the Executive Committee to take immediate action should the Bossier Arts Council be in be emanate danger thus allowing the Board of Directors time for discussion and action.

Bob Robinson made a motion to accept this amendment, Ed Allen seconded. A vote was taken, with all of the Board in favor, the motion so passed.

Biennial Fundraising report was given by Bob Robinson.

The committee reported that the fundraiser will be postponed until November of 2007 as to not conflict with Christmas in the Sky.

The Director's Report was given by Richard Folmer

- Reminder that the East Bank Theatre and Gallery and Arts, Education and Grants Committees will meet on September 11, 2006 at 5:00PM and the Fundraising, Finance & Membership Committee will meet on September 18, 2006 at 5:00PM
- Will need to schedule a Board Meeting at 5:30 on the 18th of September to vote on grant panel recommendations. This meeting should be very brief
- Richard is working with Byron Hines to secure a letter of intent from the Veterans Administration, to able the BAC to apply for a grant through the Beaird Foundation.
- Richard & Anne will be out of town on September 12, 13, & 14 for meeting in Baton Rouge, La.
- LPN will schedule a workshop on August 14 from 9AM to 3PM. Board Members and fellow Bossier Artists are encouraged to attend.

With no further business, Jane Barton made a motion to adjourn and with a second from Jolene Johnson the meeting adjourned at 6:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Cherry

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