

HARRINGTON OPERA HOUSE SOCIETY

MONTHLY MEETING

MARCH 4, 2019

Meeting was called to order by president Ellen Evans at 7:05 PM.

Those present were Becky Moeller, Ellen Evans, Mark and Sheryl Stedman, Gordon and Billie Herron, Ed Haugan, Karen Robertson and Linda Wagner.

In Bunny's absence, Billie read the Minutes of the previous meeting. Moved by Karen and seconded by Sheryl to approve minutes as read. No vote taken.

Becky presented Treasurers report which is attached. Ending checking balance is \$18,451.56. Money market balance is \$1,118.25. Billie moved and Sheryl seconded to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

Ed reported on the T-Rowe Price account. \$450 from general fund and \$50 from endowment fund was transferred to the investment account. Ending balance is \$13,198.00. The initial investment was \$10,000.00. Linda moved and Billie seconded report be accepted as given. Motion carried.

Under old business, discussion was held on the next step in renovation of the rummage room.

The US Bank grant was not accepted this year.

Karen is working with Les LePere and Tim Tipton with the Chamber map. She also did ground work for the Chamber newsletter with support form included.

Karen is also working on the annual news letter and will complete it this month. The group agreed, that the delay this year is no problem, as Karens schedule has been drastically interrupted.

Karen presented a proposal of writing a "tongue in cheek" article about the history of the Opera House and the rumors of "phantoms" in the building. She would like to incorporate the chandelier that fell into the story. Much discussion followed and vote was taken to go ahead and bring finished project back to the group. 4 in favor, 3 against and 2 abstention.

The approval of the quilt show in the auditorium for the Cruisin' Harrington on May 18, with set up on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

With Carols absence, Ellen read a proposal she offered for future sales in the rummage area. Proposals were: 2 day sales on event days, 1 day sale on Santa day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July sale, 4 times a year sale, perhaps on same Saturday as the Food Bank and God's Closet. Keep room in ready mode with shelving on the walls. Temporary lights for the present time could be used. She suggested a committee of: Carol, Ellen, Marge, Chris Moritz and Lavonne. With other member and community helpers welcome. It was unanimously agreed that since she has done such a super job before and has a feel for what works and what doesn't, we support whichever avenue she takes.

A bid from Kysar Mechanical will be sought and a gas furnace for that area will be the next step in rehabilitating that room. Billie moved and Sheryl seconded that we would proceed with this. No vote taken. Ed, Gordon and Mark will oversee this.

A music teacher is still being sought. We have 4 students interested at the moment. Several will keep looking.

Under Events:

1. Carolyn Caruso on April 27. Some may come early for jam session. Fee is \$300 plus \$50.00 travel reimbursement.

2. Cowboy Buck and Elizabeth. June 1 at 7P.M. Fee is \$350.00. Will do a Patsy Cline and Bob Dylan tribute.

3. Mark reported on the Jonah project and possibility of working with the Indigenous Missing Women lecture that Billie is working on. More information is being gathered and will be presented at the next meeting.

4. Fiddlers group will come on Oct 5. Will do as before with a 50/50 split with the Opera House retaining snack table donations.

5. The Hawk Creek duo event possibility will be researched and presented next meeting.

6. Linda will contact Alicia Mielke again to see if she would entertain an event at the Opera House. Suggested was that she and Becky Hardy collaborate on this.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Billie Herron

Secretary Pro-Tem