

**HARRINGTON OPERA HOUSE SOCIETY
MINUTES
JULY 8, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Wagner at 7:05 PM. In attendance were Carol Giles, Cassandra Pfaffle-Dick, Billie & Gordon Herron, Bunny & Ed Haugan, Mark & Sheryl Stedman, Bonnie Hardy and guest Sharon Ruffner. Sheryl read the minutes from the previous meeting and they were approved with the correction of the spelling of Dillon Haas. Bonnie moved to accept minutes as corrected and Cassandra 2nd. Ed presented the treasurers report; Mark made a motion to accept report as given and Bonnie 2nd.

BUILDING: The stage lighting is going forward with Aztec and Sillouette on schedule to be here the end of this month. The 21 foot metal beams are here and need to be painted so that they can be hung for the lights. Gordon estimated the lighting will cost under \$20,000. Carol reported that 90% of the elevator drawings are finished which is the first of 3 phases consisting of 1-drawings, 2-shaft, and 3-actual purchase of elevator. Alan Whitman is installing the window in the Art Room soon. Dillon and Bonnie have sanded and oiled 3 sides of the auditorium wainscoting. Thanks to these worker bees the apartment is clean and cleared out!! Two loads were taken to the dump costing \$100. Thank you Bonnie, Dillon and others!

GRANTS: We have the US Bank grant to be used for new doors to lobby and art room. Not sure how much this grant will be-up to \$4000. It was reported that there will be a Lincoln Co sales tax grant again. We are waiting for the stage lighting to be done and more in-kind work turned in for the Building for the Arts grant. The in-kind is especially important to this grant.

EVENTS: All who attended Nona Hengen or Sara Weaver were entertained and inspired by amazing stories!

Our next event will be another Grand Interlude II with Becky and Steve Hardy. The tentative date is September 22 at 2pm. Steinway has suggested we do a rent to own contract at \$950 for the concert. This expense could be covered with a corporate sponsor. There was also discussion about Eastern University Choir giving a concert in October.

OTHER: The church youth group that worked in the Opera House last summer is not coming after all.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM. The next meeting will be August 5 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Stedman, Secretary