

Board of Directors' Meeting
April 13, 2023

Present: Dan Hust, Heinrich Strauch, Hester Greene,
Jane Roth, Ken Sable, Ariel Shanberg
On Zoom: Jeffrey Allison, Rachel Gordon, MarySue Price

Dan Hust called meeting to order at 6:38pm
Opening Remarks: Ariel reported DVAA upgrading to
Spectrum, significantly increasing megabytes

Review of Minutes from March 9, 2023 Board Meeting
Rachel made motion to accept minutes, seconded by
Mary Sue and unanimously approved.

Signe Ballew in her position as Grant Manager reported
on the regrant program. 25 applicants; 23 approved; only
one district(District 1) not represented.

Signe responded to questions from Board regarding
scoring and awards and composition of panel.

Panel Recommendations for 2023 SCR Community Arts
Awards; 2023 SCR Individual Artist Fellowship-Visual
Arts; 2023 SCR Individual Artist Fellowship-Literary
distributed to the Board.

Motion to approve Panel's recommendations made by
Hester Greene, seconded by Ken Sable and unanimously
approved.

Executive Director Report (full report distributed to the Board. The following are highlights)

Conor Kelly O'Brien will be joining DVAA as Performing Arts Manager on April 27

Kacy Colson has given notice but will remain in her position until she has found a new position.

Search has begun for Development Associate

Anticipate an Arts Insert spotlighting grantees and other arts organizations-in The Democrat and The River Reporter in late May.

Treasurer's Report (full report distributed)

No major issues or fiscal concerns identified

Executive Committee - 3/22/23 meeting minutes distributed

Finance Committee -4/10/23 meeting minutes distributed

Facilities Committee-4/3/23 meeting minutes distributed

Fundraising Committee

Tickets for Spring Benefit-The Starling Cabaret to go on sale next week

Collector's Closet Fundraiser delayed to date yet to be determined

Capital Committee

Planning Grant should be coming out shortly and due in July

Old Business

Board Meeting Frequency

Nine times a year as follows February, March, April, May, June, July, September, October, December. The meeting will take place on the 2nd Thursday of the month for which a meeting is scheduled.

A motion to approve the Board Meeting Schedule was made by Jane Roth, seconded by Rachel Gordon and unanimously approved.

Dan reported on speaking with Barbara Paxton of NYCON re term limits issue. Best practice: Board Members two 3 year terms with a year off before a new 3 year term; Officers two 4 year terms. Board can vote to ignore term limits usually to extend for one year. As an aside NYCON rep expressed surprise that term limits are an issue. Discussion of term limits will continue. Board agreed to vote on bylaws with no change in term limits. Motion to approve Bylaws made by Rachel Gordon, seconded by Ken Sable, unanimously approved by Board.

New Business

Board reviewed information re Lily Smith to fill Board vacancy. Board agreed she is a good candidate. Dan Hust will make the offer.

Motion to adjourn made by MarySue Price, seconded by Dan Hust. Meeting adjourned at 806pm

Respectfully submitted by
Jane Roth, Secy

