

Minutes DVVA Regular Meeting August 11, 2011

Attendees

J. Allison, K. Bliss, T. Bystrom, J. Clark, E. Kubenik, H. Kung, R. O'Brien and L. Phillips. Also present was E. Giguere.

1. Call to order VP Alison called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
2. Minutes
 - The minutes of the July meeting were reviewed and unanimously accepted by those present.
3. Board development
 - There are now 15 board members with Bob Bliefernich joining this year.
4. Business Development
 - Agreed to assist in finding sponsors and journal advertising for the Gala. Elaine & Jeff are planning to approach Jeff Bank.
 - The committee accepted the budget challenge to raise \$13,000 this year.
5. Fundraising
 - Liza gave a report about the Gala. We now have a plan for the 35th Anniversary Gala, which will be on Saturday October 9th. An afternoon event is planned which will include a presentation in the theatre and a reception in the Arts Alliance's Krauss Recital Hall and the galleries.
 - The committee accepted the budget challenge to raise \$66,000 this year.
6. Finance
 - Riverfest was a success; the auction raised almost \$10,000. This budget year is off to a good start.
7. Membership
 - Ann will discuss the possibility of having a Liberty area membership drive on September 10th with Catskill Harvest Market.
8. Executive Director's report
 - The porch project is underway. The project was enlarged due to the rot discovered throughout the frame. Painting may have to be sacrificed to cover the cost for the additional work.
 - 75% of the costs are reimbursable from the Main Street grant; the rest will come from Narrowsburg Beautification funds, the O'Connor Foundation and our operating funds. The line of credit may have to be used while we await reimbursement.
 - Revenues for Sept/Oct/Nov will have to come from the Gala, the Tusten Theatre Fall Series, Membership billing and the Holiday Show/Sale.
 - Upcoming events include 8/12-18 CineArt "Midnight in Paris"; 8/13 "Road to Damascus" work by Ramon Siopongco at Café Devine; 8/20 "if U Want Me, U Can Have Me Right Now!" Elizabeth Rose one-person show; 8/26 "Layers", drawings and paintings by Nancy Palubniak; 9/9 Bernard Beck Book Reading/Talk; and, 9/10 possible Catskill Harvest Market event.
9. Old Business
 - Hans asked about the new logo and reminded the board that a request for submissions was suggested. Elaine expressed her concern that this may result in too few entries and we may have to select a less than acceptable submission or none at all. Jeff said this is matter for the Executive Committee to address.
10. New Business
 - Troy mentioned the possibility of collaboration with Thunder Mountain.
11. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Kubenik