

WVCC Board Minutes

February 23, 2016 4:00 pm

Present: Dick, Charlyn, Dennis, Recca, Marian

Guests: Pamela Hylton, Cris Darr

The meeting was chaired by Dick. A printed agenda was available. The 2/09/2016 minutes were approved as presented.

Charlyn reported that the campus received \$100 in donations from the February wet season music event, as well as \$80 from the massage raffle. Marian shared a February-to-date profit and loss report showing the campus \$447.63 in the red. She also noted that Jennalee had indicated she wished to pay her room rental fee in cash. Because of the presence of guests, there was no discussion over the balance sheet also submitted by Marian.

Old Business:

Pamela and Chris reported that the quilters group currently has only seven active members and that there is some confusion of how they are to secure liability coverage for their group to comply with WVCC requirements. Their home owner's policies will protect their personal property, but not extend to liability coverage at the campus. Pamela will check with her agent to see what options might be workable for the group and share her findings with the board at a later date. Whatever flooring is installed by them in their intended room will not need "permission" from the board, but must meet a commercial grade standard. Dick shared an account of his efforts to get duplicate keys made; use of the wrong blanks initially led to failure. A second effort was successful.

A discussion of the perceived planning for a fall music festival led to a consensus of the board that such an event was not practical this calendar year. Too much manpower and organizational challenges would need to be met for it to be a viable event this year. Continued contact with Katie by Recca and Marian will serve to keep the board informed about options and planning for a future time.

The rental memorandums have been shared with the different repeat building users; a cash dropbox would be an advantage for all.

Dennis asked about feedback or evaluation of how the shared chili feed/wet season music event turned out. It seemed clear that a spillover number of people stayed for the music part of the evening, making for a larger crowd than in attendance at earlier programs. Charlyn noted that there has been no feedback or response from the Ford couple to enable the campus to evaluate the success or lack thereof of the fundraising part of the event. There were some problems with people "management" that raises concerns of whether or not structuring a mixed use will be repeated in the future without some changes or preemptive planning.

New Business:

Marian reported that her husband will have time in the next month or two to switch over and build a new web site for WVCC. She expects to have discussions at another meeting as that time gets closer to plan site appearance and techniques/tools to be used. She also noted that she still has not heard back from Angie about the dropbox.

Charlyn shared more details about her contact with Joy Koneing, an independent grant writer contractor. Joy appeared to have considerable interest in helping the campus, but the board should expect that significant fees would be associated with her services. The board agreed that Charlyn should pursue discussions with her about fee structuring and other strategies that might be helpful for the campus. This will be an agenda item at a future meeting. Board members recognized that there are multiple priorities for grant funds, including but not limited to funding an executive director, kitchen completion, and heating systems for campus rooms.

It was a board consensus to tentatively schedule our Annual Meeting in conjunction with our first regularly scheduled board meeting in May (May 3). Planning and meeting development will obviously be advanced as that time draws closer.

A very brief review of the recent work day suggested that a lot was accomplished with not many volunteers. The campus is tracking people and volunteer hours for better accountability this year. It was noted that the next 3rd Saturday of the month work day would be March 19, with a board meeting prior to that for planning. Dick shared his opinion that killing moss on the campus exterior brick walls needs to be a priority item when weather and conditions permit.

It was briefly noted that the Sheridan Japanese School has a couple of events scheduled for the campus auditorium, and questioned whether or not a user fee would be levied. A board consensus was that it would be inappropriate to charge for the use, given contributions by some of their students as volunteers in past years as well as the tremendous amount of hours that Dick has redirected toward the campus rather than to their school needs.

The idea of a campus lock box was expanded into an agenda item from the earlier discussion about receiving cash rental fees. Some kind of a built in system resistant to vandalism and located in a secure area is desired, but no clear understanding was reached on how to accomplish the same. Dennis agreed to see what steel materials he might have that would be suitable, but urged contact with Hampton/Willamina Lumber as an alternative to see if their shop might be in position to help with design and materials.

Marian expressed her interest in a possible room rental for her accounting business in the office compound. She thought that might put her on the premises three or four days a week from about 9:00 am to 2 or 3:00 in the afternoon. This could be a step toward having WVCC "office hours" in the near future.

A range of topics was briefly discussed in General Comment. Dick shared that he understood from Ila that the Willamina senior "center" might be interested in moving to the campus. There may be some kind of non-school athletic interest in the campus, but related campus storage unit policy will likely be redefined. There may be some plan to rent out ½ of the tractor shed, but that will be expanded upon later. Ila attended a meeting where it became known that federal prison work crews might be engaged in community contributions yet to be defined. More details on these items will follow.

The next board meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2016. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Dennis Werth
Secretary