

WVCC Board Minutes

January 24, 2017 4:00 pm

Present: Dick, Charlyn, Dennis, Recca, Marian

Guests: Mary Jane and Bob Hollinger

The meeting was chaired by Dick. Additions were made to the printed agenda. The 1/10/2017 minutes were approved as presented. Marian shared a finalized version of the 2016 Profit and Loss Sheet, as well as a comparison of 2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Profit and Loss figures. Some categories were generally close to budgeted or projected numbers; others were less so. The comparison will be used to finalize the 2017 budget.

Old Business:

The board members attending the Stewardship Conference in Corvallis gave a brief overview or summaries of the sessions they attended. Some sessions were disappointing; a few were well worth the time and expense. Marian felt the presentation on grant writing was poorly supported; Dennis thought the one on donor solicitation and management was well prepared. The keynote speaker, Scott Crabtree, was appropriately inspirational by all accounts. Dick thought the later session put on by him was equally worthwhile. Some regrets were expressed about not having biographies to review in advance on who the presenters were.

Mary Jane and Bob made a quick appearance to comment on the volume level of the recent Wet Season Music Series performance. It was too loud. While Dennis did not attend this most recent one, he commented that the noise level is almost always a problem for him as well. Hopefully, something can be done to monitor this a little better in the future.

Dick shared that the renter, Bob, is still occupying the Vo-Ag rental space and that a better understanding is in place. Any problems of a similar nature and he is gone.

Planning for the eclipse event in August is still in the idea stage, according to Marian. She is rapidly approaching the busy time of year for her business, so committee level work will become more necessary. It was moved by Charlyn and seconded by Marian to purchase 200 viewing glasses for the event at the campus. The motion passed unanimously. Charlyn will get them ordered.

A redefinition of use is moving forward with Room 6, the Art Room. Joyce Parmeter will be here on the Saturday work day to help prepare the room for others to use. Marian will be looking into applying for small grants for community artists to use the space, as well as contacting Monica Setziol-Phillips to get the word out about its availability and to stay connected.

Marian is still looking to get the February newsletter out near the first of this next month, so any review or edits to the draft need to be done accordingly.

Dick shared his understanding of the time line and steps to be taken for moving forward on the campus zone change. It appears a meeting with the city planner will be sometime the afternoon or evening of February 7, the date of our next regularly scheduled WVCC board meeting. The board meeting will be rescheduled to permit some board attendance with Dick at this meeting.

A brief discussion took place about the upcoming work day on Saturday, January 28. Dennis reported having a conversation with Ila about her having appeared at the campus on Saturday, the 21st - the normal work day. She couldn't find anybody there, but mopped the floor of the auditorium anyway. (Dennis apologized to her about the change of date and the reason why). Marian is planning on 'tweaking' the BIG Work List to attempt some organizational benefit. Brief discussion reviewed ideas of having a room or space accessible to building users for first aid or emergency supplies if needed.

New Business:

Brief discussion recognized the possible interest of Mike McOwen in being some part of WVCC activities. Dennis offered to make contact with him via email to follow up the idea and see what kind of response comes about.

A preliminary review of Marian's 2016 budget numbers was discussed in relation to how that might appear in 2017. Different categories were examined, including recognizing the merits of budgeting perhaps \$2000 for advertising in its different venues. This will be revisited at the next board meeting.

Marian reminded the board of the importance of tracking volunteer hours, specifically those performed by members of the board. All members are putting in hours that do not show up on a schedule, and it is almost impossible to quantify them. She encouraged greater effort in 2017 for specifics.

Discussion of the updated Conflict of Interest Policy was tabled because of lack of time.

The upcoming model train event was recognized as another opportunity that is presenting itself for the promotion and advertisement of the role that WVCC plays in the community. How to get local media interested is the problem; there was some discussion of the setup needs.

Dick is having conversation about Little League interests and needs in the event of their use of the campus. He will talk more with Morgan and report back to the board with whatever develops.

Marian had a contact with someone about possibly locating a 'spin class' at the campus; an exercise bike type activity. She will find out more and report it to the board.

Dick introduced discussion about interests in locating a garden at the campus. There appears to be others interested besides the on-going presence and activity of Dennis Ulrich. This will be reviewed as necessary.

In General Comments and Upcoming Events, brief ideas were shared about possible Harvest Festival events, the potential for WVCC to serve as a site for a relocated food bank and recycling drop, and the difficulty in getting gas line installation scheduled through the volunteer work of Hampton employees.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. The next board meeting is Monday, February 6 at 4:00 pm.

Dennis Werth
Secretary