

WVCC Board Minutes

February 21, 2017 4:00 pm

Present: Dick, Charlyn, Dennis, Recca, Marian

Guests: Dina Sayers, Eric Lucas, Mike McOwen, Katie Kendall, Sarah Frost

The meeting was chaired by Dick, and again opened with loud pounding of the gavel. A printed agenda was available. The 2/06//2017 minutes were approved as presented. A thank you card was circulated and signed by the board to be sent to the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde for their support of the upcoming campus March 4 music event. Marian shared a February Balance Sheet current to date, as well as a Profit/Loss Statement through January. It was noted that the large expense item for January was the quarterly lease payment for the campus. The recent Wet Season Music event yielded \$87 in donations and \$70 in alcohol sales.

Because of the presence of guests, the agenda was adjusted to accommodate their respective topics.

Old Business:

Katie and Dina gave an extensive update on preparations for the March 4 music event. Discussion among those present touched upon details of things needing to be completed or finalized prior to that date. Topics considered included food, rooms/spacial needs, necessary equipment, numbers of people attending, camping logistics, paying strategies, and other issues.

Sarah provided an overview of the city library needs and potential relocation situation. She would like minimally about another 5000 sq. ft. beyond what she presently has, and the city is at least several years out from deciding the "library issue". A question was whether or not the campus might have some kind of role in possible developments. It was recognized that WVCC is presently not able to do much for providing space, but the increased people traffic would be a positive outcome. She also shared the library's involvement in pursuing a link to a NASA program for enhanced library services, an application process that the WVCC board agreed to support. Marian will cooperate with Sarah in the formation of a letter from the board doing same. Sarah is also actively promoting an August eclipse recognition through the library, and discussion with the WVCC board suggests that the campus might be able to join with her in combining an event. This idea will be revisited as a future discussion topic.

A general discussion followed about what insurance needs might exist for the eclipse event; perhaps special event coverage might be required. In the interim, the board agreed to proceed with the idea of overnight campers on the property. In addition to the city library, it was noted that perhaps the Chamber as well as Kiwanis might be interested in joining together in the effort.

Some level of interest continues in a community garden at the campus, but no new details were shared to add to what was already known. Little League involvement with the campus may still be considered, but Dick is cautious about committing otherwise rentable storage space to their needs. Both of these topics will be addressed as more is known.

Dick shared with the board details of a site visit by Melissa, the new insurance broker for the campus. He reviewed the respective coverages of the different buildings, as well as details about what is or is not covered under the new policy. Details were much the same as noted earlier prior to her visit, but it

was stated that the insurance year is the same as the calendar year. The listed exclusions appear to be acceptable to the campus.

Discussion about future campus work days noted that listing equipment needs for planned projects would certainly make the outcome more successful. Dick was encouraged to find a couple of good working vacuum cleaners for the campus; folks are getting tired of doing without. The May work day is tentatively scheduled a week earlier than normal, on the 13th instead of the 20th. The recent work day saw a few projects completed, including cleaning out Room 11 for floor tile installation and the beginning of laying carpet squares in the front entry hall. A passage way was also knocked through an interior wall between the former Home Ec room and the adjoining weight room for ease of gas line installation.

Uncertainty describes the outcome of the meeting with the city planner in determining what is an acceptable zone change for the campus. Neither of the commercial zones, C1 or C2, quite fit the intended uses of the property, and the old zone of public assembly no longer fits now that the property is no longer a school. The city planner seemed interested in trying to make something work. WVCC will wait and see what happens next.

Discussion on the 2017 budget figures was tabled until a future meeting.

New Business:

Because of the advancing time, New Business discussion was limited to only a couple of items.

Susan Richman sent a message via Marian with ideas of progressing towards moving Yoga to the upper campus in the former science room. Susan wanted approval to have an air/heating representative visit the property for an assessment; board consensus was that she could do that.

The Music and Drama group is basically on hold now; persons with interest are limited in number and/or have limited time. Marian will reply to Christine's email of February 16, recognizing her message and the temporary suspension of the program. The future of a theater arts program at the campus will be revisited as interest is demonstrated.

Recca shared that the donated upright Howard piano from the Schutes was successfully delivered to the band room through the efforts of a group of volunteers. She also had a price quote from Robert Ledden on work/attachments for the baby grand piano that would protect and stabilize it for security purposes. Some kind of casters that can facilitate its limited movement is also an idea that needs to be pursued. The board needs to act upon this as a future agenda item.

There may be a renewed interest in a spin/exercise class; the board will await further developments.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm. The next board meeting is scheduled for March 7.

Dennis Werth
Secretary