

WVCC Board Minutes

January 7, 2020 4:02 pm

Present: Dick, Charlyn, Dennis, Recca, Marian, Pamela, Cris

The meeting was chaired by Dick. A printed agenda was available. The 12/10/2019 minutes were approved as corrected (Pamela was incorrectly listed as present, but because of health issues, was not). Marian shared a Profit/Loss comparison between 2019 and 2018; it was noted that utility expenses were generally flat between the two years. The building ownership transfer in 2018 made a direct comparison difficult. She also prepared a month-by-month Profit/Loss record for 2019, as well as a Balance Sheet as of December 31. Having an employee/payroll in 2020 is understood to further alter financial comparisons between years.

Old Business:

Dick shared updates on projects around the campus. The front door hardware is getting close to becoming fully functional, door sills are in place, the rainfall has made too much mud to do more water line work at the north end of the building. Dave has been continuing work on the hallway light sensors and fixtures. Dick has been looking for a significant number of 6-8 inch plastic pipe for culvert uses. The front door light doesn't work; the wiring to it requires some research to determine where the power supply is coming from. A dark-to-dawn function seemed most agreeable to the Board. An interior ramp between the upper and lower building was recognized as one of our higher priorities.

Marian noted that the First Friday mixed media offering had to be rescheduled to February, soap making is on for this Saturday, and there is discussion about basket weaving. Gentle Yoga started this week; Tai Chi is proceeding. A new, 12 week extension of the latter will start in February. The December Wet Season Music event made \$225 for the campus.

The LED lighting situation remains frustrating; it is difficult to make contact with the actual workers. We are waiting on an electrician to make the replaced gym ceiling lights serviceable. The LED lights in the Vo Ag shop are still misbehaving. LEDs installed on the breezeway aren't making sense. We expect to have a conversation with Tad in the near future.

The campus is all set with building insurance; we renewed the old policy. Hagan Hamilton never responded in a timely way with an alternative policy. The scheduled inspection at the campus happened a day early when someone showed up and looked at a few of the fire extinguishers and then left. Apparently there was no violation.

Cris said that Matt expects to come to our next work day to review security camera placement and whatever.

The Art Conspiracy panels are still here, but they are supposedly still wanted by them. A question of storage and how to move them remains unanswered. Monica is still out there with possible art grant awards and we need to be mindful of that. Cris will try to see if there is more information that will give us a clearer picture. Marian raised the idea of submitting a grant proposal a couple times per year, or perhaps one per quarter.

New Business:

A grant proposal has been submitted by Online NW for adaption of our conference room to make it user friendly for internet access. We will wait and see what results.

The campus work day task list is getting some modification; with Caryn now being employed, some of the routine tasks are being taken care of by her during her work week. January 18 is the next Work Day, and some of the effort will be directed at painting, both in the band room and on applying primer to siding. There will be a list of things to do for volunteers to chose from.

The next Wet Season Music event is also January 18, and looks to be ready to go with music and food.

A First Federal S & L Grant for exercise equipment for Room 9 is in the works.

A Portland State University class that includes grant writing has been given a WVCC list to chose from for a class project. This is all very new to us, so we will see how this works.

The January newsletter has gone out. Caryn is doing hand delivery of copies to select locations in town.

The Pyro Guy has yet to give up having a fireworks display at the campus for a motorcycle rally in late July. Consensus of the Board was to communicate the message to both Kenna at the City and to him that the City is the responsible party that will largely make a determination how much disruption to city residents is acceptable. The Board also agreed that rental costs for use of campus property will have to reflect serious compensation. Marian will get the word out.

Marian gave a progress report on adjustments necessary for having a WVCC employee. It is early in the process, but she indicated that it appears to be going well. Caryn is on the property generally 5 days a week in morning hours until 1 or 2:00 pm. Specific tasks for her are being developed. It seems like a good idea that she have an opportunity at some unspecified schedule to attend future board meetings. This will be worked out.

In General Comment, Dick shared that he had purchased an 8 ft step ladder for the campus. Dennis asked about an update on planning for the February Hampton band party at the campus. WVCC is only serving as the venue, but the community might not know that and hold us accountable for possible missteps. Marian commented that much is undone, that she is encouraging some demonstration of responsibility. Board members made favorable comments to Cris about the notice board that she and George donated and that hangs by the auditorium door. It goes a long way to add a professional touch to the campus.

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm. The next board meeting is 4:00 pm Tuesday, January 21, 2020.

Dennis R Werth
Secretary