

**HARRINGTON OPERA HOUSE SOCIETY**  
**Minutes**  
**December 5, 2016**

The monthly meeting of the Harrington Opera House Society was called to order by President, Billie Herron at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mark & Sheryl Stedman, Gordon & Billie Herron, Ed & Bunny Haugan, Karen Robertson, Carol Giles, Marge Womach and Linda Wagner. Visitors for the evening included Cherie McClellan and Allie Fromm.

The minutes of the November meeting were read. It was moved by Sheryl and seconded by Carol to accept the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Ed presented the treasurer's report as attached. The net proceeds from the Scott Kirby concert were \$597. It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Mark to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Linda read a letter from the USBank Foundation awarding the Opera House Society a \$1,000 grant. She also read a nice letter from Anita Lamp indicating her willingness for continued financial support for the Opera House.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Billie said the teleconference for the INWC Foundation grant went well. December 7 is the announcement date to learn if we receive funding to finish the back fire escape way.

As noted earlier, we received \$1,000 from USBank.

The piano is secure for the winter. Sheryl has a sample of the mylar fabric and it will be ordered. Ed and Carol have been keeping track of the temperature keeping it at a consistent 65 degrees. The "damp chaser" will help alleviate any humidity issue during the cold months. Carol and Ed were there when it was installed. It has a 10 year warranty. The paperwork is in the vault.

**Building Committee:**

Gordon and Carol will be attending the elevator inspection on December 8 at 9:30 a.m. It might be possible to speed up the delay time on the opening and closing of the doors and the "down time."

Gordon fixed the Art Room heater. It was just dirty.

The "as built" drawings have not been received and there has been no word from Sue Lani Madsen. Mark will re-contact her.

Carol reported that she had installed a carbon monoxide detector.

The upstairs will be drained after the December 9 concert.

**Art Room:**

There was a low turnout for the rummage sale on December 3. Carol is considering a December 17 sale as there is lots of "stuff" left.

Carol reported that the group piano lesson given by Heather Safe was a big success. The students even used red solo cups to experience rhythms. Karen would really like to have a videos of future events for the website. The piano students will be performing at the Davenport Retirement Village on December 10. Parents will provide refreshments, and it is open to the public. Karen will mention it on social media.

Connie King's art lessons are going well. Anyone is welcome to come to the lessons which are on Monday's.

**Events:**

The concert by Scott Kirby, pianist and visual artist, was well attended and had an enthusiastic audience from throughout the area.

The 4-H event in the Art Room went well.

The Parks Family will be here on December 9. The Nazarene Church will pay us \$100 and provide their own insurance. A few ladies from the Nazarene Church have offered to do a little decorating in the auditorium.

Everyone agreed a 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration needs happen sometime in 2017 it is just deciding what and when. No specific action was taken at this time. One suggestion was to have it when the weather is warmer.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The following slate of officers was presented:

Sheryl – Treasurer  
Linda – Secretary  
Carol –VP and Building Engineer  
Bunny—Historian

It was moved and seconded to accept the slate of officers as presented minus the treasurer and president. Motion carried.

Billie and Ed offered to continue to serve in the offices of president and treasurer respectively at least through the end of January.

The annual meeting will be in January

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

The next meeting will be on January 9, 2017.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Wagner, Secretary