

**HARRINGTON OPERA HOUSE SOCIETY
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 4, 2013**

Linda Wagner called the meeting to order at 7PM. Those in attendance were Linda Wagner, Bonnie Hardy, Carol Giles, Amy Yirik, Ed & Bunny Haugen, Billie & Gordon Herron, Paul Charlton, Karen Robertson, and Mark & Sheryl Stedman. The minutes were read and Ed gave the treasurers report. Both reports were approved as given. Linda presented the annual report. This report will be sent out to new members. Bonnie and Bunny will work on a quarterly letter to be sent to members (past & present) as many folks don't have computers. A support form will be included.

The Society has received donations of different items; including antique chairs from Jim & Sue Els. Raymond & Dee Lamp want to give the Opera House a square grand piano. A discussion was held on what we will accept and that we don't want to be a place for peoples stuff. We also discussed what to do with the extra pews. Karen moved we offer the pews for a donation to those who could use them. Mark 2nd and a unanimous yes vote was taken.

Building Project: Sheet rock costing \$250 will be delivered in the next few days. Jay Kane will mud and tape in the art room for \$150. Lots of helpers painted and hung lights in the art room. Gordon reported no word back from the electrician about the stage lighting.

Grants: It was discussed that the executive committee appoint a grant committee so the finding and applying for grants doesn't fall in one person's lap.

Events: K/P Production on April 21 has been cancelled. The Harrington School music concert will be held April 24. The Stitch n Chicks quilt show will be April 27. Mary Kay Knappus wants to give a concert in May – possibly Memorial weekend. She wants \$1,250 plus hotel and food. We will offer her \$600 and CD sales. Billie is in contact with Nona Hengen about a tea and book review. Billie is also talking to the band 5Times Over about a concert. There is also talk about having the Miss Harrington pageant in the Opera House. Billie continues giving piano lessons to 6 students with others waiting in the wings. It would be wonderful to have another willing teacher!

Other: Cindy Groh is looking for different insurance for OH. She is talking with Canfield & Assoc. about a 5 million dollar policy that would cover volunteers, officers and directors, liquor, fire and theft. Our current policy is good until May.

Election of Officers: Karen made a motion a new appointed position of building engineer with a job description to follow be established. Mark 2nd and a unanimous yes vote was taken. Karen moved that we cast a unanimous ballot for the slate of officers. Amy 2nd and a unanimous yes vote was taken.

The officers are: President-Linda Wagner, Vice President-Carol Giles, Secretary-Sheryl Stedman, Treasurer-Ed Haugen and Billie Herron, Historian-Bunny Haugen.

Steve Hardy would like to attend a city Council meeting to talk about the rooms above city hall to be used as a Green Room for the Opera House. It was decided to send a letter to the mayor with ideas about the space before going to a meeting.

The next meeting for the HOHS will be March 4 at 7PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheryl Stedman Secretary