

HARRINGTON OPERA HOUSE SOCIETY
Minutes
February 6, 2017

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, Linda Wagner, Cherie MacClellan, Dillon Haas and Cade Clarke.

The minutes of the January 16, 2017 meeting were read. It was moved by Sheryl and seconded by Mark to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Ed presented the treasurer's report as attached. Ed noted that the Avista bill has been our largest expense. The ending checking balance in January 2016 was \$15,502 and in **January 2017** it was \$18,423. Memberships are coming in slowly. It was moved by Mark and seconded by Gordon to accept the treasurer's report as attached. Motion carried.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS

Further construction of the quilt for the piano will begin in earnest when the weather warms up.

All agreed that our rental agreement needs revision and that there needs to be some flexibility particularly for use for civic events. A proposal for consideration will be worked on prior to the next meeting.

The Northwest Farm Credit grant was submitted. Karen participated in a grant webinar and got some good notes. Dillon noted that the Washington Rural Heritage grant can be used for digitizing historical information.

We need everyone to look for grant opportunities.

Building Committee:

Gordon and Carol reviewed the thumb drive of the "as built" from Sue Lani. Everything seems okay. Moved by Gordon and seconded by Mark to pay Sue Lani Madsen the remainder of her fee which is \$3,000.

The bat chaser will be installed when the weather gets better. It will be on the center of the east wall facing outside over the curtain.

Reassurance was given that our wi-fi hot spot **IS** being using correctly. Anyone can use it for education, etc as the hardware belongs to the city and is open to the public. The Opera House Society needs to be sure it is used responsibly in the building to avoid City liability.

The cost to have temperature sensors installed may be prohibitive as there will be a \$150 hookup fee and \$40 month as it requires internet capability. Robert Iverson may be able to work with us initially to reduce the cost but consideration will need to be given due to our budget constraints.

Carol contacted Tramco construction and our weatherization audit will need to be used to get costs from a contractor on what it would cost to further weatherize the building. Perhaps it can be done in manageable pieces. Doing the whole building is overwhelming particularly considering the cost.

Art Room:

Connie King is doing an amazing job with the kids and their art projects. There is room for at least four more in her classes.

Events:

Several events are planned for April. Dr. Kevin Hekmatpanah, cellist, and Heidi Mueller, folk music.

NEW BUSINESS

Cheri presented an idea for displaying jewelry

No action was taken on consideration of a second checking account for web use.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

The next meeting will be on March 6, 2017.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Wagner, Secretary