

Minutes
Harrington Opera House Society
April 7, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Harrington Opera House Society was called to order by president, Mark Stedman at 7:00 p.m. in the Art Room. Present were Mark and Sheryl Stedman, Linda Wagner, Gordon and Billie Herron, Ed and Bunny Haugan, Karen Robertson, and Bonnie Hardy and Rick and Jen Smith. Stephen & Becky Hardy also attended via video conferences.

The minutes of the March 3 meeting were read and approved.

Ed presented the treasurer's report as attached. He noted that we netted \$518 from the Horse Crazy Cowgirls concert. It was well attended and successful.

An additional \$1,900 is due to Davenport Building Supply for the carpet and to date \$1,500 has been made on the rummage fundraisers.

Gordon reported that it will be difficult to hang sheet rock on the south and east walls that have had the plastered removed. Re-Plastering may be one answer. Jen will do some more research and Karen will check with a Spokane historic preservation person.

George from Silhouette Lighting indicated that they are not interested in helping to hang the curtains we got from EWU. They are just a middleman and can help get the parts for the structure to hang it but that is all. We will have to start at the beginning again to figure out a way to get them hung.

The carpet in the lobby has been fixed to eliminate any tripping issues.

The south sidewalk and entry remodel will begin with demolition on or about April 14. No concrete will be poured till after May 4. Mark will go to the City Council for approval. Smith's will give a revised bid for work including the art room and apartment entrances.

Mark presented a list from the Building Committee of suggestions for future work on the Opera House(attached) which are listed in no order of importance. Billie asked for ideas for the upcoming US Bank and Inland Northwest Community Foundation grant applications.

We returned \$6,000 of the original \$25,000 to the EDC as a show of good faith. Sue Lani Madsen submitted an additional bill of \$1,044. After paying Sue Lani, funds will still remain and will be kept by the Opera House Society.

The Artisan of the Month program is continuing with artists coming on April 26 which is the Spring Festival.

Mark is still working on his contact with Les LePere.

The lobby and auditorium will need to be cleaned prior to the quilt show. Wednesday, April 23 at 5 p.m. was set as a time. Ed mentioned that the Corbin Senior Center is bringing a bus for the Spring Festival and Inland Empire Tours is interested in the future.

We will be serving the Lions Club dinner on May 7 with discussion to follow the meeting regarding the details.

Billie's and Heather's piano students will perform on Sunday, May 4 at either 4 or 5 p.m.

Friday, October 10 has been set for the performance of Eric Tingstad and Tayla Lynn. The ticket price will be \$20. A meet and greet will follow. Lodging will probably be needed.

Becky and Stephen presented a couple of proposals for upcoming concerts including a jazz performance possibly in June and Grande Interlude in September. In addition, former music teacher Craig Johnson has a combo group with his students.

Karen will continue to place ads and events happen and will make every effort to maximize our investment in advertising expense.

Up until now Ritz.com has provided web hosting for free. They will now need to start charging. Karen volunteered to have an account and charge us \$50 a year. She was encouraged to submit a bill for all the time she spends updating our website.

Billie noted that she needs to get the Knable piano out of the old drugstore.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Monday, May 5 at 7 p.m. in the Art Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Wagner, Secretary