

**ARTS COUNCIL OF BRAZOS VALLEY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

April 1, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Becky Russell, President
Amy Klinkovsky
Penelope Kosztołnyik
Sue Lee
Thom Lemmons
Mitchell Morehead
Guadalupe Reyes, Jr.
Netta J. Simek
Dianne Stropp
Carol Wagner
Tom Wilkinson
John Happ
Padraic Fisher, Executive Director

President Russell called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. She requested an Executive Session. Simek moved to enter the Executive Session; Wagner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Board entered into Executive Session at 5:12 p.m. Wagner moved to exit the Executive Session; Stropp seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Executive Session ended at 5:20 p.m.

Wagner moved to approve the agenda; Simek seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Wilkinson moved to approve the minutes; Stropp seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Russell asked the Board members to encourage others to join our membership. The Lemmons & Canapes event was a great success.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fisher presented the following reports:

1. We need to increase our membership. We have 132 members now, and contributions have increased. It was suggested that we start our annual membership drive at the Celebrating The Arts event.
2. The upcoming events around town: The Art Teachers of the Brazos Valley exhibit reception is on April 3, Brenham Children's Chorus performances are on April 4 & 5, Burton Cotton Gin Festival is from April 18-20, the Bush School will sponsor a non-profit forum on April 25, and the Century Singers concert is on April 25.
3. Fisher will be in Austin tomorrow to attend the Texas Commission for the Arts conference.
4. We need to develop alliances with our rural communities.
5. The Calvert Women's Club affiliation is finalized.

6. We will invite the Museum of American GI and the Madisonville Arts Council to become affiliates.
7. Tom Lynch, the Executive Director of the Brazos Valley Museum, is retiring.
8. The Event Committee needs to finalize the Member BBQ event.
9. The Lemmons & Canapes event netted \$945.

AUDIT REPORT

Michele Kwiatkowski with the Seidel, Schroeder & Co. presented the annual audit report of the ACBV financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2006. It was agreed that page 10 of the report should be revised. Wilkinson moved to accept the audit report with the revision; Morehead seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Wilkinson moved to request Seidel, Schroeder & Co. to start the audit for the year ended September 30, 2007, to authorize the company to produce the engagement letter for 2007, and to negotiate with the company for multiple year audits. The motion was seconded by Morehead and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Morehead presented the financial reports. It was suggested that all reports need to be on the accrual basis. Wilkinson motioned that the Finance Committee meet to review the financial reports and make recommendations at the next Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Happ and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Affiliates Committee:

Motion #1 (see attached) was made by Klinkovsky, seconded by Wagner, and passed unanimously. Motion #2 (see attached) was made by Klinkovsky, seconded by Simek, and passed unanimously.

Education Committee:

Lee reported that the Special Olympics arts project is going well. We will have more participants this year. Board members are requested to bring cookies for the reception on May 1.

NEW BUSINESS

Kosztolnyik reported that she has researched into the Harley-Davidson motorcycle fundraising event.

There being no further business, Wagner moved to adjourn the meeting; Simek seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

