

**ARTS COUNCIL OF BRAZOS VALLEY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
February 5, 2008

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Becky Russell, President  
Sherylon Carroll  
Amy Klinkovsky  
Sue Lee  
Thom Lemmons  
Mitchell Morehead  
Dianne Stropp  
Carol Wagner  
Kay Conlee  
John Happ  
Lynn McIlhaney  
Padraic Fisher, Executive Director

President Russell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. She called for an Executive Session. Stropp moved to enter the Executive Session; Wagner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Board entered into Executive Session at 5:35 p.m. Wagner moved to exit the Executive Session; Stropp seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Executive Session ended at 6:10 p.m.

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

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Russell reported that she and Wagner met with Fisher in December to give him directives. A list of names for the Arts Business Consortium was reviewed by the Board and given to Fisher to contact. Board members were urged to help with the contact as well.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Fisher presented the following reports:

1. ACBV will allocate \$3000 to sponsor the African Children's Chorus along with the Singing Cadets to benefit the Children's Museum on February 28.
2. The City of College Station contracts have been finalized, and affiliates contracts are being signed and payments have begun.
3. The upcoming events around town: The Brazos Valley Symphony's Derby Day will be on May 3, a reception for the Symphony hosted by the Gardners will be on February 19. Keep Brazos Beautiful's Gala is on March 7, and TROUPE's Gala is on March 25. Board members are encouraged to attend these functions.
4. The new revised Bylaws are signed by the Board members.

5. There are three pending affiliates: Calvert Women's Club, Calvert Chamber of Commerce, and Red Wasp Film Festival.
6. The Event Committee needs to meet to plan for the upcoming events: Member BBQ, CTA, and the Distinguished Lecture Series featuring Thom Lemmons on March 27.
7. The membership drive is well underway. Membership number has declined, but the amount contributed has increased so far.
8. The April exhibit for the Texas Gallery has been changed. It will now be the Art Teachers of the Brazos Valley Exhibit.
9. The Lunar New Year Celebration will be on February 7 and will showcase the Asian arts. Following this exhibit, the glass cabinets will be used for a lobby/gallery gift shop in the future.
10. The Finance Committee needs to meet to plan the budget for the upcoming year.
11. The Audit Committee needs to push Seidel, Schroeder in finally producing a report on FY 2005/2006 as well as starting the FY 2006/2007 audit. IRS Form 990 is due in mid February. ACBV will have to file an extension.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Morehead presented the financial reports. Lengthy discussions followed concerning ways to pay the legal fee and the future of the building. We must make fundraising more of a priority. Fisher was directed to develop a comprehensive development and fundraising business plan. A committee consisting of Carroll, Morehead, Wagner, and Conlee will meet with Fisher to review the draft plan before the next Board meeting.

There being no further business, Stropp moved to adjourn the meeting; Wagner seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.