

**ARTS COUNCIL OF BRAZOS VALLEY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
July 1, 2008**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Becky Russell, President
Penelope Kosztołnyik
Sue Lee
Mitchell Morehead
Netta J. Simek
Dianne Stropp
Carol Wagner
Tom Wilkinson
John Happ
Padraic Fisher, Executive Director

President Russell called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Wagner moved to enter the Executive Session; Simek seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Board entered the Executive Session immediately. Wagner moved to exit the Executive Session; Simek seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Executive Session ended at 5:45 p.m.

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Russell thanked the Board for their support and condolences at the passing of her father-in-law. She presented the following reports:

1. Fisher's presentation to the City of College Station on June 26 was a success.
2. The Arts Business Consortium Breakfast will be held on July 10 at 7:30 a.m. at the Hilton. The Board members are encouraged to invite the business supporters to attend the event.
3. There will be a going away party for Shaddix on August 8. Stropp moved to present our token of appreciation to Shaddix at the party; Kosztołnyik seconded, and the motion passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fisher presented the following reports:

1. There are many upcoming events around town.
2. The ACBV will be closed on July 4 & 5.
3. The Young Maestros & Canapes event is scheduled for July 31 at 5:30 p.m. The Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild's reception is on July 10.
4. We will start interviewing applicants for the position of the Development & Operations Manager.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Morehead presented the financial reports. The Profit & Loss Actual statement is in line with the Budget. Simek moved to accept the financial reports; Stropp seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Morehead moved to authorize the Finance Committee to explore outsourcing our booking and to interview the accounting firms with Wilkinson. Happ seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit Committee:

Wilkinson said that he spoke with Seidel, Schroeder & Co. regarding the audit fee for the year 2006-2007 and was told that the fee would not exceed \$7,000. We will be billed for the actual cost.

Affiliates:

Motion #1 was made by Happ to grant Theatre Guild of Burleson County affiliate status, seconded by Stropp, and passed unanimously. Motion #2 was made by Morehead to grant Navasota/Grimes County Chamber of Commerce affiliate status, seconded by Wagner, and passed unanimously. Motion #3 was made by Simek to grant Calvert Chamber of Commerce affiliate status, seconded by Kosztołnyik, and passed unanimously.

Spring Festival Committee:

Fisher reported that we are still looking for the chair of the Spring Festival.

Nominating Committee:

Wagner presented the ACBV Board nominees for the year 2008-2009 proposed by the Nominating Committee:

1. Wagner moved to accept the Executive Committee members: Wagner as President, Morehead as President-elect, Lee as Treasurer, Wilkinson as Secretary/City of College Station Appointee 3, Russell as Immediate Past President, and Lemmons as Vice President of Affiliate Relations. Stropp seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Wagner moved to extend the Board terms of Morehead and Lee to 2011, and to extend the Board terms of three City of College Station Appointees- Wilkinson, Happ, and McIlhaney – to 2009. Stropp seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
3. Wagner moved to accept four new Board members: Peter Canney, Miles Marks, Julie Rich, and Kay Rice. Morehead seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Happ suggested that we place some advertising materials and brochures at the airport and hotels. Kosztołnyik suggested that we have the hotels run our community calendar at their room televisions.

There being no further business, Wagner moved to adjourn the meeting; Stropp seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.