

In attendance: JJ Abernathy, Dan Adams, Paula Bell, Rebecca White, Lisa Zumpft

Meeting called to order: 5:17

Motion- made to approve last meeting minutes made by Dan Adams. Motion passed minutes approved. Dan also volunteered to publish our minutes on the web pages. It was pointed out the we should have an agenda for each meeting posted no later than 24 hours before our next meeting.

Presidents report: We need to update the County Commissioners with a report on the Arts Council activities. We need to ask them when we can meet with them next. Paula reminded us about the Rotary Club gala and that she is still looking for items for the Auction. JJ Abernathy will work on Symphony Season tickets, Rebecca will bring a "Garden Basket" but we need many more items. Paula has acquired a booth at the Cedar City Senior Care Conference May 4th and would like anyone interested to help with the booth.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$12,131.71 in our account. A request for \$750 has been made for the "Poetry for Life" Conference in St. George by Ken Crossley. A **motion-** was made by Rebecca White; that we approve at least \$500 for Dan Adams to attend a music Arts Therapy Conference, the **motion was tabled** until we have a written request and policy for awarding scholarships. Dan has agreed to present a proposal and cost breakdown so that we can do a vote via email or phone. Lisa Zumpft voiced questions about the Arts Council's bookkeeping functioning under the ARTS, Inc. umbrella and paying 10% of the Arts Council budget to ARTS, Inc. She felt that we could get a treasurer that is separate at a considerable savings.

Old Business: Strategic Plan and Organization- Lisa Zumpft said she spoke with Commissioner Cox and he suggested that we consider still forming a 501c3 because if we fall under the County they will have the right to control, all the Arts Councils activities. Dan pointed out that Hurricane City is looking to increase interest in the Arts. He also, asked if we are looking to increase the number of Board members. Lisa brought up the fact that we used to try to get people on the board from each city in Washington County. Rebecca White has offered to write a letter to all the mayor of the cities to reach out for new board members. JJ Abernathy agreed to write a press release for the Senior Sampler and other newspapers. Part of what we talked about was hiring someone part time as an administrator for the Arts Council and to help with the Creative Age Conference. We need structure for the strategic plan and Paula has gathered some information which she will email to all of us. Paula Bell has agreed to chair the Creative Age Conference with Ken Crossley as co-chair and Lisa Zumpft has agreed to chair the Strategic Plan committee. The board agreed that we need a separate Chair for the Arts Council and a chair for The Creative Age Conference.

Creative Age Conference: Paula has spoken with Jeff Jarvis about Dixie College and was offered Fall break and Nov. 30th and Dec. 1st as options for the dates. We also talked about Dec. 7 & 8th as a good set of dates. Pamela Heath wasn't at the meeting to report on what she found out about the possibility of the Osteopathic College venue. We need to reach a decision soon as we need to work on getting sponsors and speakers for the Conference.

Next Meeting April 17th, Rebecca will see if we can meet at the County Library.

Meeting adjourned: 6:45

Respectfully Submitted by:

Rebecca White, Secretary