

MINUTES OF THE PULLMAN
ARTS COMMISSION
DECEMBER 13, 2011

ROLL CALL: A regular meeting of the Pullman Arts Commission was held on December 13, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. in the Hecht Meeting Room, Neill Public Library, with the following present:

Pullman Arts Commission:

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| Richard Berry | Commission Member |
| Vicki Leeper | Commission Member |
| Carl Mattoon | Commission Member |
| John Rich | Commission Member |
| Anna-Maria Shannon | Commission Member |
| Mike Yates | Commission Member |

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| ABSENT | Patrick Siler | Commission Member |
| | David Hoyt | Commission Member |

Call to Order Chairperson Mike Yates opened the meeting at 4:03 p.m. Library Director Joanna Bailey was also present.

1. Attendance All members have now been presented.

2. Minutes of November 8, 2011 Anna-Maria moved to approve the minutes of November 8, 2011 with a date change from October 11 to November 8, 2011. Vicki seconded to adopt the minutes. The motion carried.

3. Old Business

A. Creative

Vitality Index Anna-Maria Shannon presented information to the commission about the CVI. Anna-Maria received a one-time grant for \$1,000 to help show the impact of arts as it relates to our community. The grant was administered through the city of Moscow (Kathleen Burns). CVI work consisted of

gathering statistics from different locations to show the positive fiscal and cultural impact that community arts has to its community. The city of Tacoma has used CVI data to their advantage for years to benefit arts in their city. The city of Bellingham has revitalized their downtown because they were able to use their CVI data to their advantage. Pullman could do the same.

The grant monies have been spent. And, as part of the requirements of the grant, Anna-Maria needs to present a final report to the WA State Arts Commission.

B. Performing Arts Pavilion

Mike introduced Rod Schwartz and Kathleen Bodley to the commission members and asked them for a status update on their pursuit of forming a 501c3. Rod and Kathleen shared that the Performing Arts Pavilion does not have a 501c3 yet. The initial energy and momentum behind the project ran out in 2009. This, combined with the economic downturn resulted in a stall-out.

When asked about the scope and history of this project, Rod explained the fundraising premise of the pavilion is that the committee would build the bandshell structure and the city of Pullman would operate/maintain it from that point on. Kathleen explained their fundraising group was not a formal city commission but that all five members were appointed by Mayor Johnson. The group received an initial funding of \$100,000 from Prop. 1. These monies funded the design and write-up portions of the project. There are no blueprints for the bandshell but the city

has the preliminary construction documents. The entire project is estimated at 5.5 million dollars, but it can be implemented in a two-phase plan. The scaled back version is 3.4 million. A third option would be to fundraise for a big tent to provide temporary covering (\$100,000). Mike thanked Rod and Kathleen for providing this project update and said the PAC would discuss the information presented among its members to determine if a partnership might be a possibility. He would be back in touch with Rod or Kathleen.

C. Retreat: The retreat is set for Wednesday, 12/28 at 3pm at the BellTower Concert and Event Center. This special meeting will start at 3pm.

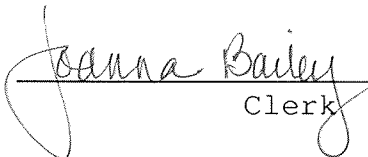
John Rich and David Hoyt left the meeting at 5:30. Before their departure, Mike reiterated the importance that PAC members commit to stay until the meetings are finished.

Adjournment: Anna-Maria motioned to adjourn. Carl seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:37pm.



Chairperson

ATTEST:



Clerk