

January 28, 2008 Friends of Multi Arts Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President, Mark Gregory.

Those present were: Marjorie Hammer, Susan Oliver, Sissy Osteen, Claire Cline, Earline Strom, Mark Gregory, Joe Rackley, Jessica Novak, Sue Baker, and Helen Jordan.

There were no minutes from the October board meeting.

Sue read the Treasury report. Our balance is now \$2058.59. She had a list of new members. These were given to Claire.

Mark handed out the list of 2008 board members and officers. New to the board are Sissy Osteen and Joe Rackley.

Under "Old Business" the board received a draft of the "Agreement Between Friends of Multi Arts Center and City of Stillwater's Parks, Events and Recreation Department 2008". Members read and made corrections to and suggestions about the draft. It was then given to Jessica. Any other questions or suggestions for changes should be emailed to Mark. There was a question concerning Friends need to carry an insurance policy.

Status of the 501c3 application is not known at this time.

Jessica reported the outcome of this year's Christmas Gallery. Although bad weather did have some effect, sales were still good. There was only about \$2000.00 less in sales from last year. January sales have been up.

Concerning Standing Committee updates, Claire will be updating the membership list.

Bonnie was not here to make a report on the status of the Fund Raising and PR Committee. She has volunteered to bring refreshments for Friday's Valentine gallery opening. Jessica said there were very few entries for this month's event. The board discussed ways to increase entries for future openings. A committee for networking was suggested. Inexpensive prizes such as ribbons might help. If there was a juried show, Friends could volunteer for the jury. Earline made a motion to create a committee to publicize the gallery openings. Claire seconded the motion. Mark felt this was something the PR committee should do. This would include Bonnie and Claire. Earline and Joe volunteered to help them.

The 2008 Arts and Heritage Festival will be April 12th and 13th. Three to five people are needed to jury. February 22 is the deadline. After that, there will be a fee for entering. Three judges will be needed to judge at the Festival. They will be paid. The board made suggestions for finding judges.

Jessica suggested that Friends of Multi might want to donate a piece of artwork for a door prize at this year's CASA.

The meeting was adjourned.