

## **May 19, 2008 Minutes for Friends of Multi Arts Board Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm by President Mark Gregory.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed with the addition of Lynn's attendance.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Sue Baker. A balance of \$2110.62 was reported with the only activity being a check issued to Mike Smolen for \$33.57 to reimburse a website expense.

Park Planner Eve Morgan gave a presentation about the children's Garden. She highlighted the current problems, including drainage, lack of ADA accessibility and several other functionality problems. The current planting area is 1287 square feet.

Eve presented the master plan she has created to address the current problems and to renovate the garden. Phase one of the plan is to create a round pergola over an outdoor classroom and walkways that are accessible and ADA compliant. Phase one will also address the current poor drainage issues by the terracing the planting beds.

Beginning June 2, 2008 OSU Upward Bound students will help out by working in the garden for two hours per afternoon Monday through Thursday for six weeks. Eve stated that her goal was to get all of the pavers laid and possibly complete more Phase one projects if time and weather permit. The pavers have been reclaimed from several historical brick Stillwater streets.

Eve also shared a note from the Director of Parks, Events and Recreation stating the Department's financial support of the project.

Bonnie Hammond moved and Mike Smolen seconded a motion that the Friends explore the responsibility of the design, creation of working drawings and fundraising for the proposed pergola. Timelines and possible budgets were discussed. Mike, Sissy, Bonnie and Jessica agreed to serve on a committee to develop plans for the pergola. Jessica will serve in an advisory capacity.

The Bylaws Committee presented their proposed changes to the Operating Procedures and the Bylaws. Mark noted his appreciation for the committee's work especially the contributions by Joe.

Sissy moved to approve the changes as presented and amended and submit them to the general membership at fall meeting. Lou seconded her motion.

The changes to the Bylaws were approved as submitted by the Committee.

The changes to the Operating Procedures were approved as submitted by the Committee with the following additions:

Article 6 section 2- change Public Relations to Promotion and Marketing

Article 9, section 1 change Hospitality to Event Planning

Article 6, section 5, clause C to read – The Treasurer shall disburse money as required. Expenses beyond ordinary budgetary guidelines will be approved by the Board of Directors.

Article 6, section 5, clause D to read the financial records shall be reviewed by a Board appointed committee annually.

The Long Range Planning Committee's report was presented by Sissy. The report and worksheet are attached.

Bonnie moved that the report and worksheet be approved and adopted by the Board, Sue seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion. Arts and Heritage Festival. Her report is attached.

Jessica reported Multi Arts' collaboration with the Chamber on the upcoming Main street project "Music & Motion" to be held July 10<sup>th</sup>. Artist will be invited to have booths tell their art. There will be a sidewalk art component. More information will be provided at our next meeting.

Lynn moved adjournment and her motion was approved.