

MINUTES
ORPHEUM THEATER ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 14, 2008
12:00 p.m.
Orpheum Theater

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom VanWyhe, Ann Davis, Mary Lou Savold, Susan Scott, Sylvia Henkin and Kim Bartling

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeremiah Murphy

OBSERVERS PRESENT: Lary Etten

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Russ DeCurtins (SMG), Lori Schnell (SMG), Brent O'Neil (City Planning), Amanda Conrad (YMCA – Children's Theater)

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

No additions or deletions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ann Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2007, January 17, February 21 and March 12, 2008 meetings. Sylvia Henkin seconded, motioned carried. Yeses, Ann Davis, Mary Lou Savold, Susan Scott, Sylvia Henkin and Kim Bartling, 5. Noes, none.

BOOKING REPORT

The Board discussed the 2008 calendars for the Orpheum Theater, Anne Zabel Studio Theater and the Classroom. For 2008 there are 232 contracted and held events for the Orpheum Theater, 36 contracted and held events for the Classroom and 83 contracted and held events for the Anne Zabel Studio Theater.

Tom VanWyhe entered the meeting.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

The attendance report was discussed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board was presented with the 2008 budget that is actual through March.

EVALUATIONS FROM ORPHEUM USERS

Evaluations from Tuck & Patti and Beth Patterson events were discussed.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Coordination for the painting and carpeting of the Theater needs to be discussed.

The warranty walk through for Phase 2 & 3 will be held soon to meet the warranty deadlines.

OTHER BUSINESS

Children's Theatre

Amanda Conrad, Youth Program Director for the YMCA, presented to the Board her ideas with Children's Theater in the middle school after school program. This program would reach students who otherwise would not have an opportunity to be a part of theater. They would like

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to be able to bring the students to the Orpheum once a month. Kim Bartling will give Amanda the information she gathered on the various children's theaters she visited last year.

Lary Etten stated that the SECT will be bringing the Missoula Children's Theater to the Orpheum this summer and also has a fall workshop with the Girl Scouts. The SECT has a subcommittee meeting to discuss other programs for children's theater.

Amanda Conrad, Kim Bartling and Lary Etten will meet to discuss the Children's Theater issues and will bring information back to the June meeting.

Meeting Date and Time

The Board decided to change the meeting time to the first Wednesday on the month. The next meeting will be June 4 at 12:00 pm.

Board Appointments

Brian Bonde and Rob Joyce's terms as Observer Seats have ended in March. Katrina McKerney from the Sioux Falls Jazz & Blues Society and Jeff Vandekamp from Augustana were suggested. Brent O'Neil will contact them to see if they would be willing to serve on the Board.

Statues from main Library – Displays for Memorabilia

This item was deferred to the June meeting.

Replacement of Trash Cans Out Front with Planters

This item was deferred to the June meeting.

Orpheum Theater Schedule

Kim Bartling is working on a play with students from Joe Foss School. She would like to give them a place of their own to perform and would like it to be at the Orpheum. Because of the SECT's schedule there are no dates available in the time frame she is looking for. She will have to look at alternate sites for the students to perform.

SECT "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum"

Lary Etten stated this weekend will be the last weekend for the show. Tickets are still available for all performances.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held June 4, 2008, at 12:00 pm at the Orpheum Theater.