

The Arts Guild of Old Forge, Inc.

Board of Director's Meeting

September 14, 2009

Minutes

PRESENT: Deb Carhart, Patty Foley, Rex Germer, Susan Hazard, Kevin Jost, Gary Lee, Clark Lubbs, John Munyan, Katie Noonan, Debi Ritz, Kerry Rogers, Joan Spring, Ed Stafford, Bob Stanton and Michele deCamp, Director Emeritus

EXCUSED: Helene McAleese

CALL TO ORDER: The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Arts Guild of Old Forge, Inc. was called to order by President Patty Foley at 8:05 PM.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Michele deCamp presented the following slate of officers: President-John Munyan, Vice-President-Deb Carhart, Treasurer-Debi Ritz and Secretary-Joan Spring. Katie Noonan moved and Rex Germer seconded a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented. The motion was passed.

John Munyan assumed his new office as President and thanked everyone for the job performed this evening at the Annual Membership Meeting. He distributed a copy of a newly created document entitled Arts Center/Old Forge Board Working Document. This document will create a monthly "snapshot" of what has happened at the Art Center during the month since the last board meeting. John asked all board members to print the minutes and treasurer's report before the meeting and bring those printed materials to the board meeting. John requested that each Committee Chairperson email the secretary with a Committee Report one week prior to the monthly board meeting. The secretary will then email those reports to all members before the monthly meeting. Members can then generate questions that need to be answered or issue to be clarified. The agenda for the meetings will be similar to what the board has used in the past. These actions will hopefully streamline the meetings.

Ed Stafford moved and Bob Stanton seconded a motion to move into Executive Session. The Board of Directors entered into Executive Session at 8:25 PM. Debi Ritz moved and Kevin Jost seconded a motion to end the Executive Session. Executive Session ended at 8:40 PM.

#### CONSENSUS ITEMS:

Finance: Debi Ritz presented, in writing, the Finance Report-General Operating, August 2009 and the Finance Report-New Building, August 2009. During the discussion it was mentioned that there is a document which is an "affidavit of good faith". This document would be used when individuals want to read minutes, etc. They would simply sign the document and carry on with their viewing. Discussion centered on new sources of revenue. The Plein Air Weekend, Clark's idea with John Nemjo, and the idea of promoting our collection were among the topics discussed. Let's gather our ideas and devise some new ways of advertising. i.e. NPR. Kevin Jost moved to establish a New Business Development Committee that will get back to the board with ideas and details about possible new sources of revenue. The projects presented should be within the mission of the Art Center. Hopefully, this group could bring back two projects for the next meeting. Kerry Rogers seconded the motion. It was passed.

Ed Stafford reported that at the Advisory Council's meeting the following name was suggested for the new building: Adirondack Art and Science Center of Old Forge. Discussion took place as to what we actually do call the new building. This topic was deferred to another time.

Debi Ritz agreed to look into revising the format of the financial reports and bring some samples to the next meeting.

Rex Germer moved and Ed Stafford seconded a motion to accept the Financial Report. The motion passed.

Minutes: Debi Ritz moved to approve the minutes of the August Board Meeting. Katie Noonan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Deb Carhart and Rex Germer will work on creating a blurb for the web that reflects the business touched upon at the Annual Membership Meeting and our appreciation for those who attended. Katie will check with Jody regarding posting items on the web.

Clark needs clarification and direction regarding the woman who has offered to do the rendering of the new building. Phoebe should have the answers that he needs.

Patty Foley, Susan Hazard, Rex Germer and Clark Lubbs volunteered for the New Business Development Committee.

Debi Ritz moved to adjourn the meeting. Kevin Jost seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 PM.

The next regular Board of Director's meeting will be held on Monday, September 28, 2009 at 6:00 PM (There will be two meetings a month until the end of November 2009.)

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Spring