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Board Meeting Minutes October 11, 2023 6:00 PM by Microsoft Teams

Present: "C" Heaps, Adam Ostrander, Karen Libman, Marian Camille Yoder, Grace

Gheen, Michael Vasicek

Absent: Nathan Moore, Connar Klock

- 1. Call to Order: 6:05 PM
- 2. Sharing: Celebrations, Cares, and Concerns
 - 1. KL is having trouble with her eyes as a result of a migraine treatment. We all extend our concern and hope for a speedy recovery.
 - 2. MCY has finally fully moved into their new house. They are looking for a roofer, electrician, and for someone to do a ramp installation, and any recommendations for contractors
- 3. Review and Approval of September Minutes
 - 1. MV will link email granting NM his proxy. With that addition:
 - 1. KL moves to accept Minutes
 - 2. MV seconds
 - 3. Passes unanimously
- 4. Report from Artistic Director (including BiCycle reschedule)
 - 1. CK is not present, and as such cannot provide a report.
 - 1. KL will ask CL to send out a written report to the board.
 - 2. KL addresses BiCycle adjournment
 - 1. A space could not be found space at K College fell through.
 - 2. There was also difficulty in finding actors that fit the writer's need for the actors to identify as biracial.
 - 3. MV will connect with CK about how to update the website.
 - 4. Social media statement should be made regarding the adjournment.
- 5. Report from Managing Director
 - 1. Check from Kalamazoo Community Foundation has been deposited.
 - 2. CH needs to meet with KL to get a signature for the Gilmore Foundation grant.
 - 1. CH will drop it off at KL's home, and she will return it to CH's home along with their check.
 - 3. Has gotten access to Canva from MV.
 - 4. CH will be meeting with WMU PR class tomorrow at 3:30 PM.



1. Their final presentation will be held Tuesday,

December 12, 2023, at 2:45 PM. Board members should let KL know if they are interested in attending so that they can be provided parking passes.

- 6. Items from SP Meeting
 - 1. Plan next meeting date
 - 1. Tentatively November 5, from 2-5, location TBD.
 - 2. KL to reach out to CK and NM to see if this date works. If not, we will coordinate by email.
 - 2. Review action plan items
 - 1. All board members to review the uploaded action item list for the time being.
 - 2. This will be a recurring agenda item.
 - 3. Flyering scheme (places, people, and upcoming events)
 - 1. A document will be created in the shared Google Drive with locations that we know work well for canvassing.
- 7. Board Recruitment
 - 1. AO & CK to meet with Raquel. AO will send off an email tonight or tomorrow about setting up a meeting.
 - 2. KL is meeting with someone on Friday.
 - 3. KL is also hoping to meet with MV's wife, Caitlyn (sp?) about involvement with the theater.
- 8. Sponsorship Campaign
 - 1. KL meeting with someone she knows regarding the sponsorship of a show.
 - 2. KL also hoping that the potential board member she is meeting with on Friday, whose husband's family owns a local business in Grand Rapids, may be a potential sponsor.
 - 3. CH reviews goal for contributions for the fiscal year, which is \$25,000.
 - 1. Hopes to put together a tier list of contributors for a given show.
 - 2. Discussion had about corporate sponsorship or fundraisers.
 - 1. AO volunteers to be the fundraiser-focused board member. AO and CH will meet and flesh this out prior to next board meeting.
- 9. Board Member Show Assignments
 - 1. Deferred to next meeting, as with the BiCycle adjournment this is not pressing.
- 10. Friend-raiser in December
 - 1. December 3 reception done in conjunction with staged reading of BiCycle, at or near the venue, held after the staged reading.

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Specific guest list is being curated, as is the theme.
KL and MCY to meet regarding this.

11. New Business1. No new business had.12. Adjournment: 7:02 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 6:00 PM by Microsoft Teams