

Monson Arts Council Annual Board Meeting
January 21, 2009

Present: Cindy Nothe, Barbara Keffer, June Mumford, Tod Beall, Reed Coles, Lynn Salem, David Xanatos, Holly Boulanger, Chris Mertens, Brent Northrup, Jeannie Guertin. and Denise Suprenant

Spring Play: Denise Suprenant presented the budget for the spring play “My Three Angels”. A budget was approved by the Board. Denise advised that rehearsals will take place in the House of Art until the last week of March. Denise advised that rehearsals will take place two to three times per week. Barbara advised Denise to let Richard Guertin know when the house would be in use. Cindy then stated that Richard advised that Maureen Solomon and Nancy Bryant were in charge of scheduling the use of the House. After some discussion Cindy stated that she will maintain the calendar for the House of Art and she should be contacted for reservations. She will maintain the calendar on the website.

There was discussion regarding materials need for the play sets. Reed Coles suggested that the Arts Council provide a “wish list” to Squires whereby builders who may have extra materials could donate them to the Arts Council for use in set building.. Denise Suprenant left the meeting after this discussion.

Minutes: The minutes of November 19th meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer’s Report: The Treasurer’s reports for November and December were reviewed and accepted.

Scholarship Fund: After discussion regarding the presentation schedule for the Arts Council Scholarships it was decided that Barbara Keifer place \$3000 in a 12 month Certificate of Deposit.

File Cabinet: Cindy advised that the President, the Secretary and Treasurer all have keys to the cabinet which is maintained in the House of ART.

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Intern for Special Projects: Cindy advised that she had a call from Nancy Bryant advising that she has an intern four days a week so if anyone has projects that could be done by the intern

please let Cindy know and she will contact Nancy. Some discussion followed regarding what types of work can be done by the intern i.e., must it be strictly art related etc. Cindy stated that she would get clarification on this.

Theater Committee: No report.

Art Show Committee: No report.

Curator Committee: No report.

Art Camp: Cindy advised that she received an e-mail from Jeanne Guertin that Parks and Recreation Department are looking to the Arts Council for our share of costs associated with the use of the Art Camp in the amount of \$1100. The Parks and Recreation department are currently negotiating with the school to reduce the usage fee. After some discussion Jeanne advised that the check in the amount of \$1100 be made out to the Town of Monson. Jeanne advises that the Art Camp had an \$1100 loss. Jeanne also advised the Committee will not meet until after the Budget is passed.

By-Laws: Cindy suggested that the By-Law review be done by a committee that will meet separately from the monthly meeting. Tod, Jeanne and Cindy will serve on the By Law Committee. They will review the by-laws and present the revised version at the February Meeting.

Annual Meeting: The date of the annual meeting is April 15. Barbara advised that she will need a list of the officers and new board members.

Nominating Committee: Brent, Barbara and Chris will serve on this committee. Brent Northrup advised at this time that he will no longer be able to be on the Board due to some family commitments.

New Business: Tod suggested considering having a fair similar to the raft Fair at another time of the year using the buildings as it is done for the Craft. Here was some discussion and this matter will be looked into.

Next Meeting: February 18th .

Respectfully submitted,
June Mumford