

Murray Arts Advisory Board  
Minutes for April 16, 2019

Attendance: Becca Spjute, Nancy Buist, Haley Oliphant, Kat Martinez, Christy Anderson,  
Peter Klinge, Jeff Evans, Clark Bullen

Staff: Lori Edmunds, Katie Lindquist

- I. Nancy Buist conducted the meeting as Wendy Richhart was excused.
- II. Becca motioned that the Minutes for March 19, 2019 be approved as written with a second from Haley. Motion passed.
- III. Board Reports – Lori asked Peter and Kat to report on meetings they had with Lori concerning projects that they would be involved with.
  - a. Peter reported that he and Lori had discussed putting together a fundraising plan for the Murray Theater. They are getting materials ready to send to different funding sources. Lori will concentrate on giving foundations and Peter will work with the business community and corporate sponsors. He suggested we recruit the support of the Chamber to widen stake holder contributions and support. We will put together a project management plan to share with the community to let them know the phases or stages of the project. The board was excited to get involved with the fundraising aspect of the project. Peter further explained that there is the money part and the community part which is creating and energizing the community so the bigger businesses will see the qualitative support. Clark wanted to know if could do something like a donor wall for contributors. Peter reminded us that having smaller donations from the community will show the support of this community. Christy offered to share with us a fundraising brochure that she created.
  - b. Kat reported that she and Lori met with Beverly Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program, Tina Misaka specialist about a “STEAM” residency for each elementary school for our district wide project for next school year. The ages would be in the 2-4 grade range. Each school would be given the opportunity for both master and performance classes. Lori said that before we present this fully to the board, she would like to get a budget for it and will update the board with specifics in May or June.
- IV. Staff reports –
  - a. Resident on Display for the month of April is Dave Kotch who is a photographer. Dr. Baker will be the artist for May. Lori suggested that we augment the Resident on Display program to include musicians and literary entrants. Lori asked Becca if she would check with her son Caleb to be our “musical” ROD for August. Katie will follow up with Caleb.
  - b. Murray Concert Band had a performance on April 13, with 210 in attendance.
  - c. Storytelling update – Katie reported that our school residencies are done, and the city Storytelling Showcase will be on Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am – 4:00pm.
- V. Upcoming events\_
  - a. Murray Symphony – April 27, HJH, 7pm, \$6- 10 under Free
    - i. Katie reminded the board that at this production, they will be highlighting the Golden Spike railroad connection. Becca wanted to know if the symphony could

possibly incorporate youth players into their performances. Jeff said to remember that for the older players, this is the only time they get to play.

- b. “Merchant of Venice”, May 1-3, MHS, 7pm, \$5.
  - c. “Bright Star”, May 2-6, CHS, 7pm, \$8 GA Haley told us the performance on the 3<sup>rd</sup> has been cancelled. This makes it difficult to advertise for them if they continue to change dates.
  - d. Secondary Art Show – May 7-9, Fashion Place Mall
    - i. Katie passed around a volunteer sheet to the board to watch the artwork during the show or to help us hang or take down.
  - e. 11<sup>th</sup> Annual One Act Festival, May 14-15, CHS, 7pm, \$5 GA
  - f. “Beauty and the Beast” auditions – May 1 & 2, 6-9pm – Viewmont Elementary
  - g. “Little Women” – May 28 & 30, 7:30 – 9:30pm – Viewmont Elementary
- VI. Cemetery Tours May 20-23
- a. Katie sent around a volunteer sheet for help with either the “cemetery activity” or with the stories at the headstones.

Nancy adjourned the meeting