

Opera House Board Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, September 20, 2022 10:00 am via Zoom

Present: Jonathan Lewis, John Beutal, Bill Brehm, Mary-Carel Verden, Jill Patterson, Lisa Reeves, Jim Borling.

Absent: Pat O'Connor

Staff: Victoria Flynn, Julie McDougall

1. Call to Order, Verden—10:05 am.
2. Motion to approve August 16, 2022 Minutes by Lewis, seconded by Beutal—10:06 am.
3. Director's Report by Brehm—10:07 am.
 - a. It was a good opening weekend. The Suzanne Santo show's low sales were offset by Jake Shimabukuro.
 - b. The first performances on the small stage were well received.
 - c. October shows are better sold than September.
 - d. The spring shows are filling in nicely, but there's still no confirmation for Taj Mahal.
 - e. This Saturday is Art Walk. Unfortunately, the Philip Daniels show in the evening is lightly sold.
 - f. The upholstering project is going ahead though likely not until the week of Thanksgiving. No price change.
 - g. We haven't settled on the dates for Catfish 2023.
4. Financial Report by Borling—10:25 am.
 - a. Ticket sales are lower than then were at this time in 2019, but better than they were a month ago.
 - b. Not all reporting is matching up due to some postponed shows still without confirmed dates.
 - c. Memberships are good despite lower sales.
 - d. We have some ideas on how to raise awareness of the live streams.
 - e. There hasn't been a resolution from the Council regarding the ARPA funds.
5. SOHFA Report by Lewis—10:52 am.
 - a. There are more big projects on the horizon, but SOHFA will wait until the seats are finished.
6. Move to adjourn the meeting by Lewis, seconded by Borling—10:57 am.

Next meeting: Oct. 18, 2022

Respectfully submitted, V. Flynn 10/12/22