

Opera House Board Meeting Minutes: Tuesday May 16, 2017 – 10:00am

Present: Vice President Jon Lewis, Jim Borling, Paul Lawrence, Gen Wilberg

Absent/excused: President Mary-Carel Verden, John Beutel

Staff: Bill Brehm, Julia Blaikie, Nicole Richmond

1. The meeting was called to order by Brehm at 10:04am.
2. Election of New Officers. Lawrence, Lewis nominate Verden for President. Passed unanimously. Lawrence, Borling nominate Lewis for Vice President. Passed unanimously. Lawrence to remain on board as citizen, Pat O'Connor to join board as council member.
3. Motion by Lawrence to approve 4/18 minutes; seconded by Borling. Passed unanimously.
4. Director's report presented:
 - i) Only 4 simple shows left in season. Spring cleaning for Syttende Mai events this Saturday.
 - ii) Finalizing booking for 17-18 season and CRMF; working on copy for brochure. Some repeat performers, some big names, some up-and-coming artists for fall.
 - iii) Sneak peek out soon to members, along with member renewal reminder and policy updates (eliminate series pricing, change rules for obstructed seating, solidify rules for customer credit).
 - iv) Ray Wylie Hubbard was rescheduled for fall due to illness.
5. Financials presented by Borling:
 - i) In red after 1st half of subsidy (guarantees, hospitality). Sold over 20,000 tickets this season and membership was strong; should be ok after 2nd half of subsidy. Two more months of operating expenses to get through.
 - ii) In future, brochure revenue should be collected at the time of advertising rather than the following year.
6. SOHFA:
 - i) 15K to come in. SOHFA working on CRMF.
7. Next meeting June 20.
8. Motion by Lawrence, Lewis to adjourn meeting at 11:02am; carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Blaikie