
Friends of Platteville Municipal Auditorium Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Celeste Moore, JoAnne Schlicher, Cheryl Schmieder,
Patrice Steiner

Date: 11/14/12**Time:** 7:00 (Wednesday)**Place:** Council Chambers**Last Meeting Date:** 10/10/12**Next Meeting Date:** 12/12/12

Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 10, 2012 meeting

Financial report

Treasurer Doug Mackie was not in attendance, so there was no report. President Cheryl Schmieder would like to get the exact amount spent on painting the auditorium. We want to know how much we have remaining in the Graham Fund.

Donation Button on website/separate account or Dupaco “Municipal” account: Since a separate account might cause issues with our non-profit status, Cheryl Schmieder has been trying to email Mike Moran for the Dupaco account number. He has not responded.

Sound/stage floor/storage:

Cheryl Schmieder set up a meeting with Howard Crofoot to discuss our storage needs and our audio installation plans.

The storage space in the basement is adequate. Some of it is enclosed and can be locked. It would enable PCT to clear out their storage facility. It would also allow many items currently stored onstage to be removed so there could be more room for those renting the stage. We need to let Howard know how much space we need and make arrangements with the City to proceed.

Howard Crofoot wants more details about the electrical part of the sound installation. He wants to meet with Dick and Scott to discuss why a larger hole is needed in the projection booth. He would like to details on electrical requirements and expenses.

It was suggested to us that since the cost of the installation of the sound equipment is being donated privately, the City would not have to place a bid notice in the paper. We would like to avoid putting this to bid as the process of collecting the specs would get very expensive.

Reminder on in-kind hours:

Celeste Moore turned in her hours and expenses to Cheryl for in-kind credit. We are almost up-to-date and nearly ready for totals to be tabulated.

Future Events/Fund raising

Variety show: As stated earlier, Robin Timm and Marilyn Gottschalk have sent a teaser email. Celeste Moore posted the email on the website. We will pick up activity later.

Grants: Brian Stewart of Woodward Communications wants to know specific project details. In return, Cheryl Schmieder has offered to note any grants from Woodward on our website, signage and programs. Relative to signage, we'd like a donation plaque to mount in the auditorium. We envision a wooden plaque with brass labels. Patrice Steiner volunteered to talk to Helkers Jewelry about the cost involved.

Roundtable

Christmas radio show/readers' theatre: We checked with the radio station. They have pre-packaged music planned for Christmas and are not interested in producing a pre-recorded radio show.

Council Chamber moving to auditorium: For logistical reasons, the Common Council has decided not to move City Council meetings to the auditorium. Reasons given was that it was hard on equipment to move it around: microphones are delicate, the desks were awkward to move and store, secure camera storage would be an issue, and there is no air conditioning in the auditorium in the summer. Additionally, all the moving would take an hour of paid work for someone each meeting, adding to City expenses.

Veterans' Day events: Celeste Moore said that the Veterans' Day events were going unnoted on the website. She said she'd contact Arlene Siss to get past events noted and remind the vet groups that we can help publicize their events at the Municipal Auditorium.

Adjourn at 7:30