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# Friends of Platteville Municipal Auditorium Meeting Minutes

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**Attendees:**

Dick Davies, Ken Kilian, Kerry McCabe, Celeste Moore,  
JoAnne Schlicher, Cheryl Schmieder, Patrice Steiner

**Date:** 11/5/2014**Time:** 7:00 (Wednesday)**Place:** Council Chambers**Last Meeting Date:** 10/1/2014**Next Meeting Date:** 12/10/2014

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**Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 1, 2014****Discuss possible change in meeting date to the first Wednesday of the month.**

Patrice Steiner suggested that we move our meeting date back to the first Wednesday of the month as it would be more convenient for monthly event planning. Others felt we could call special meetings as necessary. Kerry McCabe and Cheryl Schmieder wanted the meetings to start earlier, at 6:30.

It was moved (Patrice Steiner) and seconded (Cheryl Schmieder) to keep the meeting date the second Wednesday of the month, but change the start time to 6:30 pm. The motion passed.

**Financial report:**

Treasurer Jayne Dunnum was not in attendance.

Another reminder was made for volunteers to email Jayne Dunnum with in-kind hours as soon as possible.

Money from the photo shoot (\$300) has been deposited into our account.

Ken Kilian reported that enough money (\$1750) was collected from sponsors to pay wages for the Veterans' Day concert.

**501(c)(3) update:**

No update.

**Lighting upgrades:**

We are behind on the installation of lights. At our last meeting, November 9<sup>th</sup> was the goal for completing the upgrade. This goal was not met. The electrical infrastructure is there, but some of the custom equipment was sent back to be remade. Dick Davies feels the rest of the work will probably occur after the first of the year.

**Ken Kilian Concert**

Ken Kilian's Classic Big Band salute to vets concert is rapidly approaching on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Ken Kilian suggested that we offer free entry to vets as a way to honor veterans. It is too late to put it on any publicity except the website. This means we will have \$10 general admission, \$5 for students with ID and free admission for vets.

Ken is planning on going to 'Narnia' the Saturday night before the concert, then set it up for the concert before leaving. He rather likes the look of the set and will keep it in place as much as possible. This means he doesn't need entry to the building on Sunday until 10:30.

Kerry McCabe is looking into getting a water dispenser from Driftless Market to provide water for guests.

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## **Nutcracker**

Dancers are still very happy with their new stage floor. The ballet is in rehearsal now and will be ready for the early December production.

## **What's Next?**

### **Window expansion for the Sound/Light Booth:**

We need an estimate of the cost to complete this project. Dick Davies is getting one.

### **'Red, White, and Tuna':**

Cheryl Schmieder brought a script for Kerry McCabe to read. In it, there was a reference to 'Tuna Does Vegas' by Jaston Williams and Joe Sears. Kerry is interested in looking this script over as well.

### **Seat numbering:**

We need to find someone who makes numbering for aisles and seats. Summer Hamille made a seating chart to use as a guide for the installation of the numbers.

### **Aisle lighting:**

Celeste Moore brought a magnetic, battery powered LED light that can be fastened to the bottom of the seats to mark the aisles. Those checking out the puck light felt it would be a good temporary solution to providing safety lighting in the auditorium during shows. They would be easy to pick up, pack and store between shows. She will see about ordering some in time for Sunday's concert.

## **Round table:**

After getting a safety notice of empty paint cans left in the dressing rooms when the stage floor was painted, Dick Davies brought up the problem of trying to do renovations and set constructions when the building dumpster must be locked. At this point, it doesn't look like they are willing to give us keys. We decided to put trash in the old police station garage so it will be easy to load.

Kerry McCabe said that she's interested in seeing if 'What do you know' would be willing to broadcast a show from the auditorium. Various locals were suggested as possible subjects. Kerry will look into this.

**Adjourn at 8:05**