
Friends of Platteville Municipal Auditorium Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Ken Kilian, Kerry McCabe, Celeste Moore, JoAnne Schlicher, Cheryl Schmieder

Date: 12/16/2015**Time:** 6:30 (Wednesday)**Place:** Council Chambers**Last Meeting Date:** 11/4/2015**Next Meeting Date:** 1/6/2016

Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 14, 2015 and November 4, 2015.**Financial report:**

Although the Veterans Day concert didn't make money, we did bring in \$1100 with 'The Unexpected Gift'

Salute to Veterans Concert Discussion:

The turnout wasn't quite as high as expected. We were a total of \$150 short. After the split with Ken Kilian and the band, the Friends of the Platteville Municipal Auditorium were \$43 short. A couple sponsors didn't get their pledges in. Once they do, we should be okay.

A total of \$58 was raised in donations for the Grant County Veterans Affairs. We still need to get the money to them.

For next year we'd like to get a scrim/screen up for slides, so we shall pursue this goal. We also like saluting a 'Vet of the Year' as long as it isn't a contest we hold. Perhaps Tim Murphy could select the oldest vet.

Ken is considering changing the date of the concert to November 11th, rather than the Sunday closest to it. This has ramifications for the Tri-State Homeschoolers Drama Troupe, so we need to investigate it.

'The Unexpected Gift' Discussion:

We had fairly good attendance for the play (130 -140 people). It brought in \$1100 and a number of compliments. Director Cheryl Schmieder did a good job. Congratulations to the cast and crew.

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

This looks promising. Cheryl needs to discuss details with Jack Luedtke from Main Street Program.

First row of seats in the balcony

No change.

Window expansion for the Sound/Light Booth:

No change.

Ticket Booth remodel:

We'd like to continue with this project. During the last event, we discovered there is a lot of storage under the stairs that can be used for various event equipment and supplies. We now have the hanging sign, completed by Tud Bowden. We'd like to get this up along with completing the electrical work, patching the plaster, and painting the space.

Winter Concert possibilities:

We are looking at expanding 'Music in the Park' for January and February. There are a number of local musicians we could get involved. The popular Dubuque band Grace and Glory is an option, but they charge \$350. We don't want to charge admission. Perhaps we could pass around a donations basket.

Spring Show - 'Bingo the Musical'

Cheryl Schmieder is ready to tackle directing again, but wants the assistance of a producer. The producer would find a stage manager, prompter, musical director, etc. Names were suggested. Cheryl would like to stage it no earlier than April.

Round table:

Country Inn by Carlson is donating radio advertising time to the Friends of Platteville Municipal Auditorium. We would like to thank them for their generosity.

Adjourn at 7:00