

MINUTES
ORPHEUM THEATER ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 6, 2009
12:00 p.m.
Orpheum Theater

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sylvia Henkin, Mary Lou Savold and Susan Scott

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kim Bartling, Ann Davis, Tom VanWyhe and Jeremiah Murphy

OBSERVERS PRESENT: Lary Etten, Jackie Pederson-Kriens and Katrina Lehr-McKinney

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Russ DeCurtins (SMG), Terry Torkildson (SMG), Lori Schnell (SMG) and Brent O'Neil (City Planning)

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

No additions or deletions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were not approved due to lack of a quorum.

FACILITY

Booking Report (Terry Torkildson)

The Board discussed the 2009 calendars for the Orpheum Theater, Anne Zabel Studio Theater and the Classroom. For 2009 there are 204 contracted and held events for the Orpheum Theater, 12 contracted and held events for the Classroom and 49 contracted and held events for the Anne Zabel Studio Theater.

Attendance Report (Terry Torkildson)

The attendance report was discussed.

Financial Report (Terry Torkildson)

The Board was presented with the 2009 budget that is actual through April.

Evaluation from Users (Terry Torkildson)

Evaluation from the SD Community Foundation on March 23, 2009, Blue Note Records 70th Anniversary on March 25, 2009 and Russell Malone Concert on March 14, 2009 were discussed.

MANAGER'S REPORT

The paint, carpet and seats bids will go out on May 8, 2009. Colors have not been finalized. The seating will include 6 additional accessible seats in the outer front row. The first two rows of the seats will be removable to give more space for productions.

Bill Murray has been hired as the Orpheum Event Manager.

Software updates are being made to the lighting board.

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CHILDREN'S THEATRE

Lary Etten stated that SECT is in the process of scheduling two Children's Theatre workshops this summer, a fall workshop and a workshop at the beginning of next year. SECT's goal is to provide year round presence in Children's Theatre.

OUTREACH

Nothing to report.

STRATEGIC ADVISORY

Nothing to report.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sylvia Henkin stated that she thought it was very helpful that the lead actors of Chicago had microphones.

Katrina Lehr-McKinney asked if the City would consider budgeting for a piano at the Orpheum. Terry stated that the Pavilion has the piano that was at the Orpheum and he will talk to them about using it when it is needed for productions at the Orpheum. Terry also stated that he would talk to the City about a piano.

Susan Scott and Tom VanWyhe's terms ended in March. The City requested that they stay on as members until new appointments have been made by the City. Kim Bartling's term ends in June.

Brent O'Neil handed out a revised copy of the Orpheum Theater Board of Directors On-going Work Program. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Jackie Pederson-Kriens stated that Dance Gallery will be performing a classical ballet on May 30, 2009, 11:00 am, at the Orpheum Theater

Katrina Lehr-McKinney stated that the Sioux Falls Jazz & Blues concert series has been announced, Kyle Eastwood Band on November 13, 2009, Jane Monheit on December 3, 2009, James Cotton "Superharp" Band on January 16, 2010, Bonerama on March 12, 2010 and Brubeck Brothers Quartet on April 9, 2010.

Lary Etten stated that the Sioux Empire Community Theatre announced their new season. They will perform The Sound of Music, On Golden Pond and I Hate Hamlet.

ADJOURMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held June 3, 2009, at 12:00 pm at the Orpheum Theater.