

SPIRIT ROOM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 17, 2020

4:45PM—Spirit Room Gallery I

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 28th, 2020

Present: Kim Bromley, Steve Makela, Karen Perry-Anderson, Meghan Duda, Dawn Morgan, Hollie DeFrancisco, Carol Pearson, Zenas Baer

Call to Order **4:52pm by Kim Bromley, President**

Secretary's Report

Hollie – Approval of Minutes – Karen made a motion to approve, Zenas 2nd. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report

Current Balance – Dawn : \$20,420

- AgCountry Farm Credit Services donation – Trudy, as treasurer, does Spirit Room accounting at Ag services. They bill us \$900 and donate back \$600.

Executive Director Report

- Amy Stoller – Historic Holmes Theatre – Connected through Maxine Adams LRAC. The LRAC is having difficulty keeping their gallery in Fergus open as their main funder – the McKnight Foundation – requires their funding to support POC. Amy, the director of Historic Holmes, is interested in working together on exhibitions. She is interested in expanding into more than just stage performances.

Administrative Assistant Report

- NEA Big Read– Joy Harjo “An American Sunrise” –
 - Steve reached out to composers and performers to create music inspired by her work. 5 commissioned works performed by Deborah Harris, Russ Peterson and Lisa Bost. Budget would be \$4600
 - Meeting tomorrow with Joy’s agent to discuss fee for Joy to come out.
 - Laura Youngbird , previous director of Indian Education at the Plains Art Museum, will be curate a group invitational exhibition.
 - Amy Gore will incorporate Joy’s work into her Tribal and Indigenous Peoples Studies course at NDSU
 - Troyd Gheist has agreed to review our application and advise on improvements.
- “Formative Fairytales” group exhibition – Our next theme exhibition will be based around fairytales and fairytale characters. We are inviting the public to stop in and read their favorite story with us which we will share via Facebook live.
- NDCA CARES Funds part II: \$9,420

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- HERG grant: Under Review
- Ikebana – Japanese Flower Arrangement with Alice Fujita – Alice studied at the Sengetsu school in California. Her instructors have encouraged her to host her own courses as a way to improve her skills. She is holding an ongoing workshop from February – May, one date, two groups each month. Each group is capped at 8 participants, they have to take the first class to participate in the other two.
- Singing Bowl meditation and yoga with Elissa Stevens – Elissa has hosted singing bowl meditation with us in the past, but is looking to partner her practice with a friend who instructs yoga. She will be in touch in the coming weeks to schedule and produce programming.

Exhibition Update:

- Upcoming Exhibitions:
 - Gallery I- December 2 - Jan 2
 - Frank Sampson Retrospective – NDMOA
 - Gallery II - November 15 - Jan 2
 - Kim Kenyon
 - Gallery I- Jan 18 – March 6, 2021
 - Formative Fairytales
 - Gallery II - Jan 4 – March 6, 2021
 - Zander Dale

New Business

Adjourn – 5:45pm