

SCFD BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 19, 2015

1:00 pm

Colorado Ballet

Meeting Minutes

SCFD Board members present: Chair Dan Hopkins, Vice-Chair Kathy Kucsan, Treasurer Hal Logan, Secretary Lynn Jeffers, Elaine D. Torres, Rob Johnson, Kathy Imel, Councilwoman Kendra Black, Peggy Lehmann, Damon O. Barry and Kathryn Spuhler

SCFD staff present: Executive Director Peg Long, Senior Program Manager Nancy M. Sarka, Program Manager Jessica Kato, Program Associate Iris Gregg, Program Assistant Clara Nulty and Office Systems Administrator Sheila Mieger

1. Introductions and Approval of Agenda

Dan Hopkins called the meeting to order at 1:07 pm followed by introductions. A quorum was present and the agenda was approved.

Gil Boggs, Artistic Director of the Colorado Ballet, welcomed the Board.

2. Approval of October 22, 2015 Board Minutes

Kendra Black motioned to approve the minutes. Kathy Imel seconded. Motion passed.

5. Reports

5.1 Treasurer

Kathy Kucsan reported on behalf of Hal Logan that the September 2015 SCFD sales and use tax revenue was \$4,841,246.18. The 2015 year-to-date (YTD) sales and use tax revenue is \$40,582,292.84. This compares to YTD 2014 revenue of \$38,216,889.60. The variance is \$2,365,403.24 a 6.19% increase in YTD 2015 over YTD 2014.

5.2 Chairman

Dan Hopkins reported the SCFD Board would not be meeting in December. He then asked Kathy Spuhler and the SCFD Teen Council to present. Kate Lubotsky and Christina Rudolph gave an update on the Council's activities. They asked for formal recognition of the Council so that they can recruit more members and engage in more official activities. They also asked the Board for administrative support such as printing flyers, social media and hosting a Teen Council page on the SCFD website. Kathy Kucsan motioned to formally recognize the SCFD Teen Council as part of the Public Awareness Council. Damon Barry seconded. Motion passed.

5.2.1 December Board Meeting

Dan Hopkins reported that, as scheduled, there will not be a December Board Meeting.

5.3 Executive Director

Peg Long reported the SCFD office would be closed November 26-27, 2015.

6. Resolution 15-26: Pertaining to Honoring Susan Connelly

Kathy Kucsan introduced Susan Connelly and highlighted her work specifically with the Board. The Board introduced and passed Resolution 15-26: Pertaining Honoring Susan Connelly on her retirement from Colorado Chautauqua Association.

7. Resolution 15-27: Pertaining to Honoring Alice Lee Main

Dan Hopkins introduced Alice Lee Main and her contributions to the City of Aurora. The Board introduced and passed Resolution 15-27: Pertaining Honoring Alice Lee Main on her retirement from the City of Aurora.

8. Other Matters (new/old business)

8.1 Election of 2016 Officers

Rob Johnson, chair of the committee, reported that the Nominating Committee, which also included Kathryn Spuhler and Peggy Lehmann, contacted each of the current slate of officers for their agreement to continue their positions for 2016. All officers agreed. Dan motioned to close nominations and except nominated slate. Peggy Lehman seconded. Motion passed.

8.2 Discussion/Selection of Board Priority Issues for 2016 Certification Reports

Based on feedback from SCFD board members, Peg Long identified several potential priority issues to be addressed in the Tier I and II 2016 certification reports. The topics included inclusiveness and diversity, leadership transition plans, organizational stability and regional service. She thanked Malik Robinson, who was unable to attend, for his insight and introduced three organizations that are currently modeling inclusivity. Garrett Ammon talked about Wonderbound's new location and the impact it has had on the organization becoming more inclusive towards the homeless community. Lisa Rigsby-Peterson spoke about Lone Tree Arts Center's sensory-friendly programming, as well as programming geared towards seniors and children. Denver Art Museum staff spoke about programming and marketing geared towards overcoming cultural and language barriers, memory challenges, and visual impairment. Peg Long recommended that the Board adopt question 1 on diversity and inclusivity and question 4 on regional service. Kathy Spuhler motioned. Damon Barry seconded. Motion passed. Questions addressing these two areas of board concern will be added to the 2016 certification reports for Tier I and II organizations.

9. Public comment

Dan Hopkins opened the floor to public comment. The following people spoke:

Rachel Cain, Former Denver County Cultural Council

Chrissy Deal, Former Denver County Cultural Council

Tony Garcia, Su Teatro

Jeanette Trujillo, Fiesta Colorado

Steve Wilson, MACC and SCC

Damon Barry expressed that diversity is very important to the Board and the board is working on broadening diversity and inclusiveness within its capabilities.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm.



Secretary