

SCFD BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 26, 2008

1:00 pm

North Metro Arts Alliance

Carl Park Community Center

Meeting Minutes

SCFD Board members present: Chair James Harrington, Treasurer Stevan Strain, Jim Martin, Jake Zambrano, Joseph Arcese, Kathleen Stapleton, Mark Addison, and Marcia Johnson

SCFD Board members absent: Secretary Dan Hopkins, Vice Chair Holly Osgood, Nancy Lee

SCFD staff present: Executive Director Peg Long, Program Manager Nancy McCamey, Program Manager Donna Smith, Office Administrator Sheila Mieger and Program Assistant AJ Ferrari

1. Introductions

James Harrington called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm, followed by introductions.

2. North Metro Arts Alliance

Vicky Marshall, Executive Director, gave a brief history of the Alliance. The Alliance once had many individual donors. Vicky and the current board are working to rebuild their individual donors so they don't have to rely too heavily on SCFD funds. North Metro Arts Alliance offers many programs in Adams County including free concerts in the park, a juried art show, talent show and a grant program to assist Adams County schools with bringing artists to the schools to support curriculum.

3. Approval of May 22, 2008 Board Retreat Minutes

Kathleen Stapleton motioned to approve May 22, 2008 minutes. Joseph Arcese seconded. The motion passed.

4. Executive Session for the purpose of the purpose of consulting with the District's attorney Alan Pogue, regarding legal issues related to implementation of the SCFD statute.

James Harrington read the executive session announcement at 1:15pm and the Board moved into Executive Session. The open meeting resumed at 1:40pm.

5. SCFD Audit Report and Resolution

Stevan Strain introduced Mark Elmshauser, CPA, Clifton Gunderson, LLP. Mark explained the new auditing standards requiring auditors to have more contact with the Board. He read a letter previously provided to the Board. Mark Addison asked how the CPA viewed the SCFD change in check signing procedures and if he felt it provided better controls. The CPA stated the practice did provide better controls and stated having an outside accountant is a good control. James Harrington asked for the third bullet point on page II "Administrative expenses for 2007 increased by \$138,730" to include the statement "net of election expenses." James feels the statement under "Governmental Activities" explains the increase in detail.

Resolution 08-06: Pertaining to Acceptance of FY 2007 Audit

Stevan Strain motioned to approve Resolution 08-06 with change made to page II. Jim Martin seconded. The motion passed.

6. Tier II Qualifying Organizations Report

Twenty-seven organizations submitted qualifying applications this year. Differences from 2007 were that New Dance Theatre did not apply while Boulder Philharmonic did. Certification applications are due July 18. Mark Addison noticed the qualifying income for a few of the organizations could cause them not to qualify next year. Peg Long agreed. Marcia Johnson asked how the Cherry Creek Arts Festival could have

qualifying attendance considering the Festival is free. Donna Smith shared that the Festival does have other events with paid attendance.

7. Rex Morgan Update

Marcia Johnson reported the 2008 Rex Morgan awards will take place on November 19 at the Denver Center Performing Arts Complex. At the event the location for a Rex Morgan bust/kiosk will be unveiled. Holly Osgood has a meeting scheduled with the Publishing House to request help in funding the project. She is also scheduling a meeting with Randy Weeks of the DCPA and Doug Adams of the Symphony to get their buy in. Marcia suggested a call be put out to local artists to design the bust.

8. Reports

5.1 Treasurer

Stevan Strain reported an increase in collected sales and use taxes from April 2007 to April 2008. Interest rates are at 2.26%.

5.2 Chairman

James Harrington announced the SCFD received the Regional Funders Award from the Theatre Communications Group. The plaque and sculpture awarded to SCFD were shared with the Board and audience. James would like there to be a display case in the front office of the SCFD as a way to highlight the awards the SCFD has received.

5.3 Executive Director

Peg Long thanked the Board members for attending the NPAC Convention. The SCFD panel presentation went well.

The Statewide Arts Advocacy group encourages the Board to think of arts education in terms of P-20 rather than K-12. Doing so encourages a broader support for arts education and includes teacher training and professional development.

Peg and James Harrington met with Steve Wilson and Alice Lee Main of the SCC and worked out an agreement in which the SCFD will no longer handle Tier II SCC dues. Instead when the SCFD sends organizations a statement of deposit it will include a notice stating how much is due to the SCC.

The 20th Anniversary logo is complete. Organizations will be encouraged to use it on their 2009 marketing pieces.

Peg gave each Board member an adjusted 2008 budget based on the lower interest rates. Joe Arcese asked if there is an official time in which the Board adopts changes to the budget. Stevan Strain said changes to the budgets are made as needed throughout the year. James Harrington shared that the October meeting is generally when the Board makes official changes if needed.

The first meeting of the SCFD task force will be August 13 from 8:30am 10:30am at the Daniels Fund. The purposes of the task force include review of the Tier II qualifying threshold and weighting formula using information obtained through modeling. Peg anticipates there will be five meetings. Karla Raines will facilitate all the meetings.

Peg along with Holly Osgood will meet with Bonfils-Stanton Foundation to discuss art in education and explore support for the Rex Morgan permanent structure.

9. Other Matters

Joseph Arcese and Kathleen Stapleton attended an event at the Art Museum. Denver Mayor, John Hickenlooper gave a great speech in which the SCFD was mentioned. An art collector attendee invited the board to view her private collection. Peg Long will contact the collector for further details regarding the invitation.

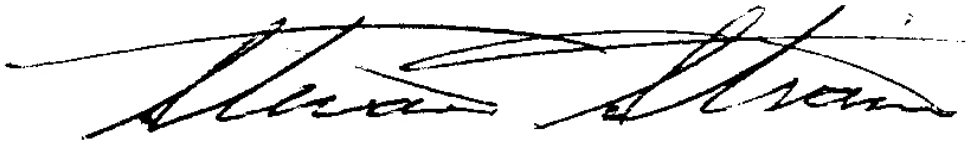
Sheila Mieger encouraged the Board to stop by the SCFD booth at the Cherry Creek Arts Festival, July 4-6. The booth will be located at 2nd and Steele. Many SCFD funded organizations have donated items for free drawings throughout the Festival.

7. Public Comment

No one commented.

9. Adjournment

Kathleen Stapleton motioned to adjourn the meeting and Joseph Arcese seconded. The motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stevan Strain". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the start of the name.

Stevan Strain
Treasurer