

**Arts Centre for Edson Society
Minutes
January 13, 2010**

PRESENT:

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Executive Regrets:

Kevin Zahara, Town of Edson Councillor	- kzahara@newcap.ca
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Peter called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

1. Agenda

MOTION: Helen Payette moved to accept the January 13, 2010 Arts Centre for Edson Society agenda as presented. Motion carried.

2. Minutes

MOTION: Doug Woodhouse moved to accept the November 12, 2009 Arts Centre for Edson Society minutes as presented. Motion carried.

MOTION: Dave Michie moved to accept the December 9, 2009 Arts Centre for Edson Society minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Business Plan: Peter recommended that the next few months ACES needed to prepare a business plan to coincide with presenting the preliminary drawings at the Trade Show in April. Kai passed on information that Jason Paterson, Executive Director of Community Futures – West Yellowhead, would be willing to assist ACES in developing a plan. Peter will talk to Mr. Paterson and ask him if he thinks it is best to meet with us ACES first to discuss a plan, or should ACES develop a plan using a template and then have Mr. Paterson proof it to see what needs to be added / corrected. Based on this, ACES decided to:

- a. Contact Mr. Paterson and if he thinks it is best to meet with ACES first, the group will attempt to meet with him in early February.
- b. Contact Mr. Paterson and if he thinks it is best for ACES to create a draft first, then the following people will take on the following sections:

Helen – Introduction; Statements of Intent

Robyne – Market Assessment

Peter – Usage Forecasts; Governance and Administration

Doug – Capital Funding Strategy

Shari – Potential Users from Edson Area; Participation in Culture Activities; Performing Arts Facilities in Market Area

Peter will notify the group of the next step after he speaks with Mr. Paterson.

4. Potential Meeting with Honourable Lindsay Blackett, Minister of Culture & Community Spirit: At the December meeting Kai brought forward a provincial report that indicated all the communities in Alberta that saw a new cultural facility as a need, and Edson was not on that list. ACES would like to set up a meeting with the Minister or Deputy Minister of Culture and Community Spirit. Shari recommended that Kai take on this initiative by perhaps contacting Mr. Robin Campbell's office.

5. Architectural Drawings: Peter received an e-mail from Greg McClung, the architect, in regards to preparing the drawings, and he stated "I still need a couple of weeks, and then I will be able to show preliminary plans and concept elevations. As the designs develop, I will keep you updated by issuing you copies." ACES plan to reveal these drawings to the public at the Trade Show in April. The Town of Edson has agreed to provide a booth, and Peter will ask Sonja Boyce and Kathy Hicks if they would like to decorate the booth again this year as they did a wonderful job last year. Shari indicated she would perhaps make and order a special banner for ACES.

6. Society Bank Account: Shari met with people at the Alberta Treasury Branch to create a bank account for ACES. All they need is signed minutes approving the creation of a community spirit business account. She will be meeting with ATB again next week to officially open the account. Peter mentioned that the Edson Ukrainian Cultural Society has already donated \$100, and that Chautauqua and Holy Redeemer will both donate \$100 as well. Helen said she would mention it to Double Feature Theatre. Three ACES members will have signing authority on all cheques: the President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer.

7. Arts on Fire, Hinton: Robyne brought up that Hinton is holding their annual Arts on Fire gala on February 20, and that ACES members should attend to help promote the group. Peter said he would send a separate e-mail promoting this event and Robyne would be happy to be the contact person.

8. Next Meeting: 7:00 pm Wednesday February 10, 2010, in the library at Holy Redeemer.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: Doug Woodhouse moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes approved on _____.

ACES President (Print)

ACES Secretary Treasurer (Print)

ACES President (Signature)

ACES Secretary Treasurer (Signature)