

**Arts Centre for Edson Society
Minutes
February 9, 2011**

PRESENT:

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Peter called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

1. Agenda

Edith added one item to the agenda: 7.2: Arts on Fire.

MOTION: Dave Michie moved to accept the February 9, 2011 Arts Centre for Edson Society agenda. Motion carried.

2. Minutes

MOTION: Andrea LaBoucane moved to accept the January 12 Arts Centre for Edson Society minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Meeting with Recreation Board: Peter reported that Peter, Shari, Doug and Kevin met with the Edson and District Recreation Board at the Recreation Complex on January 17. They reported that the meeting went extremely well and they have agreed to proceed with meeting with the architect, Mr. Greg McClung, about the possibility of attaching a new performing arts centre to the Recreation Complex. Dave volunteered to act as a liaison on behalf of ACES between Mr. McClung and the Recreation Board when they meet on February 10. One suggestion was that at a later date, if the discussions continue in a positive manner, that one or two representatives from the Recreation Board join the ACES meetings.

Note: This information was gathered from an e-mail from Dave after the meeting on February 10. The meeting went very well and Mr. McClung is going to ask the Town of Edson if he can proceed with starting the process of sketches and plans for how the new facility would look like. The walk around of the facility and discussion went very well, and Mr. McClung thinks this is a great fit. He just needs original plans to see if there are any

issues that might affect a possible joining of buildings. If he is given approval from the Town he said he should be able to have floor plans to ACES by March 9 meeting. The plans will also go to the Recreation Board and then in April ACES will attend their meeting for further discussions. Dave talked to Carol Knetman from the Recreation Board about ACES sending them our minutes and they would like them. Overall this was a very positive meeting.

4. Business Plan

- a. Progress:** Peter will contact Kai and get the business plan draft.
- b. Grant:** Doug continues to research grants.

5. Involving More Organizations

ACES would like information from the following organizations regarding how a new cultural centre can benefit their respective groups, and how their respective groups can benefit a new cultural centre.

a. Aboriginals (Friendship Centre): Peter e-mailed the Friendship Centre about a list of ways ACES and the Friendship could benefit one another with the construction of new facility. He has yet to hear back from them.

b. Seniors (Pioneer House): Since Sonja has not been in attendance to speak about this item, Ron has agreed to proceed to speak with the Pioneer House.

c. Persons with Disabilities (SCOPE & McMann): Peter and Edith have both e-mailed Ed Moore from SCOPE, but have not received any response. Edith will Kathy at SCOPE. Andrea will also contact McMann.

d. Person with Disabilities (Reflections): Shari says she will contact Joan.

e. Youth (Interyouth Agency): Andrea submitted a letter answering the above questions on behalf of the Interyouth Agency.

f. Recreation (Recreation Coordinator): Andrea will ask Mike Butler, the Community Services Director, to answer the questions.

g. Local Businesses (Rotary Club): Peter will contact Troy Sorensen.

h. Local Businesses (Chamber of Commerce): Shari will contact Coleen.

i. Regional Arts Organizations (Creative Campus): Shari will contact Tracy Templeton.

j. Regional Arts Organizations (West Yellowhead Music Society): Shari will contact someone within this organization.

6. Edson & District Trade Show, April 15 & 16: ACES decided that they will not have a table at the Trade Show this year as there is nothing new to show at this time. That said, when there is more information to report, a full press release will be sent to the media. In addition, Peter will contact the Town of Edson to have the ACES minutes and architectural drawings added to the Town webpage and Facebook page. Shari will also market the ACES Facebook page more to increase its membership. In the spring, ACES will have a table at the Community

Registration Night to promote their new information that they will have at that time.

7. Money from Organizations: Peter asked ACES about organizations once again donating funds to ACES. Currently there is \$460.00 in the account and no funds have been spent. Shari will contact Tracy Templeton at Pandora Players to see if they would like to donate funds.

8. Arts on Fire, February 19 in Hinton: Edith and Robyne will be attending the Arts on Fire evening and asked if more representatives from ACES will be attending. Shari said she would look into it. If she chooses to go, ACES will pay her ticket. It was also brought up that perhaps an Arts on Fire event could be presented in Edson. ACES asked if Shari and Doug would like to ask CANOE if they would be interested in doing this if they choose.

9. Secretary Treasurer's Report: Shari reported that there is \$460 in the account for December, January and February.

MOTION: Shari McDowell moved that the Secretary Treasurer's report for the months of December 2010, January 2011 and February 2011 be accepted as presented. Doug Woodhouse seconded. Motion carried.

10. Next Meeting: 7:00 pm Wednesday March 9, 2011, in the library at Holy Redeemer.

11. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Minutes approved on _____.

ACES President (Print)

ACES Secretary Treasurer (Print)

ACES President (Signature)

ACES Secretary Treasurer (Signature)

