

**Arts Centre for Edson Society
Minutes
January 9, 2013**

PRESENT:

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Peter called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

1. Agenda

MOTION: Tracy Templeton moved to accept the February 13, 2013 Arts Centre for Edson Society agenda. Motion carried.

2. Minutes

MOTION: Shari McDowell moved to accept the January 9, 2013 Arts Centre for Edson Society minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Funding Request to Town of Edson

Peter updated ACES that the Town of Edson has agreed not to fund the next portion of funding for architectural drawings and studies at this time. In fact, Council has agreed they would not be granting any funding requests to any groups at this time.

Right now, the Town is in the final stages of coming to an agreement with Yellowhead County. It is the hope that this agreement will be completed soon. After this, Council has directed administration to create a strategic funding plan that would outline how much money the Town would have to spend each year over the next five to ten years. From here, it is the hope that Council will be able to prioritize the major projects, including a new theatre. Once Council approves the final budget in March, there might be some discussion on our funding request again.

4. Architectural Work

Peter updated ACES that he has informed the architect Gregory McClung of the decision of Council. Mr. McClung is still committed to working on this project and will certainly assist ACES once funding becomes available.

5. Presentations

Dave will be making a presentation to Yellowhead County Council on Tuesday February 12 at 9:30 am at County Office. Everyone is welcome to attend to show support.

Peter has asked the Chamber of Commerce to make a presentation to them. He is awaiting a response for an official date.

Peter will be making a presentation to the Business Support Network on February 21, 8:30 am to 10:00 am at the Galloway Station and Museum. Everyone is welcome to attend.

In addition, ACES will have a simple display at as many upcoming arts and culture events as possible, such as the Chautauqua and Pine Grove performances in late January. Creative Campus will display the drawings in between productions/concerts at their display in Horizon Music.

6. Capital Fundraising Plan

a. & b. Tax Receipts and Endowment Fund – Accountant

Greg and Shari will talk to Darrell Mergaert regarding how to set up a charitable receipt account.

c. Fundraising/Letters of Support

ACES had a good discussion about the possibility of fundraising for the capital cost of the project. ACES once again decided not to do so. Instead, ACES will ask local businesses and corporations for letters of support / letters of intent. Peter will discuss these letters with the Business Support Network and the Chamber of Commerce at their respective presentations.

In addition, more work will be done to continue to gain positive support such as showcasing the drawings throughout the community.

Krysta agreed to use the Community Services Facebook Page to promote local arts and culture events.

d. Honourary Fundraising Chairperson

ACES will select an honorary chairperson once they have a lead donor from a major corporation.

7. Informal report from Decker Theatre

Patti was unable to get a response from the Decker Theatre. She hopes to have a report for next meeting.

8. Edson & District Tradeshow, April 19 & 20

The cost of a booth is \$250.

MOTION: Dave Michie moved that the Arts Centre for Edson Society spend \$250 to secure a booth at the Edson & District Trade Show on April 19 and 20. Douglas Woodhouse seconded. Motion carried.

A subcommittee was formed to create the display for the show. Peter, Shari, Patti, Krysta and Tracy volunteered to sit on the committee.

9. Edson & District Recreation Society update

Dave gave a verbal update.

10. Secretary Treasurer's Report

Shari reported that ACES has \$581.22 in the ACES account.

MOTION: Shari McDowell moved that the Secretary Treasurer's report for January 2013 be accepted as presented. Dave Michie seconded. Motion carried.

11. Next Meeting

Peter showcased a press release from the Minister of Culture looking for representatives to sit on the Premier's Council on Culture. Doug showed interest and ACES would highly support his involvement if he wished to pursue this endeavour.

12. Next Meeting

7:00 pm Wednesday February 13, 2013 in the library at Holy Redeemer High.

13. Adjournment

MOTION: Dave Michie moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Minutes approved on _____.

ACES President (Print)

ACES Secretary Treasurer (Print)

ACES President (Signature)

ACES Secretary Treasurer (Signature)