

**Arts Centre for Edson Society
Notes
March 13, 2013**

PRESENT:

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Regrets:

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Peter called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. As there was not an official quorum, no official minutes were kept.

1. Advocacy

A brief discussion on the online poll from The Edson Leader took place. It seems that the community was very supportive of the letter to the editor from ACES. Peter reported on the ACES presentation to the Edson Business Support Network on February 21. It was a positive meeting and ACES looks forward to working with the BSN in the future. Ron and Gemma mentioned they would like to attend the BSN meetings on behalf of ACES.

Peter said that ACES will be making a presentation to the Edson & District Chamber of Commerce on May 9.

Shari was not in attendance to discuss a possible presentation to the Edson Rotary Club.

Preparations for the Trade Show are ongoing. ACES will be in need of volunteers to man the booth on April 19 and 20.

Displaying the drawings at local arts events is going well. Some upcoming events will be two Chautauqua shows, the HRH Dessert Theatre, and the Parkland/Pine Grove Dessert Theatre.

In an effort to help communicate more to County residents, ACES hopes to display the drawings at the Double Feature Theatre production at Rosevear Hall. Helen will contact them to discuss the details.

Kristi is working on creating a membership list to prove ACES will be able to have audience members attend events at the new facility. This will hopefully be in place for the Trade Show.

2. Budgets from Other Theatres

Doug is working on this initiative.

3. Funding from Local Organizations

Peter reported that ACES has received funding from the following organizations and businesses:

- Edson Creative Arts Society - \$75
- Holy Redeemer Drama Department - \$200
- Thymes Two - \$100

ACES thanks these organizations and businesses for their tremendous support.

4. Capital Fundraising Plan

Greg and Shari have yet to meet with an accountant.

5. Testimonial Letters

Peter has testimonial letters from six former students. These testimonials will be on display at the Trade Show.

6. Stonewater Ranch

Peter gave a brief report from John Osborn from Stonewater Ranch, which is a new development near Robb. The development is going to include a golf course, equestrian course, housing units, an RV park, and an entertainment facility that may or may not contain a theatre. This development could take 8 to 10 years to build. Peter mentioned that they would keep the communication lines open.

7. Edson & District Recreation Society update

Ron gave a verbal update.

8. Secretary Treasurer's Report

No report was given.

9. Next Meeting

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

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.