

**Arts Centre of Edson Society
Minutes
November 7, 2018
Holy Redeemer High School**

PRESENT:

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REGRETS:

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Peter called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

1. **Agenda**

Motion was made to accept the agenda with additions for the November 7, 2018 meeting by Clayton. **MOTION PASSED**

2. **Minutes**

Motion was made to accept the minutes from the September 12, 2018 meeting by Ron.
MOTION PASSED

3. **New member Adrienne Tait – Peter**

Peter introduced Adrienne Tait to the group.
Motion was made to have Adrienne Tait join ACES as an Executive member by Clayton.
MOTION PASSED.

4. **Town of Edson & Yellowhead County Multiplex Committee – Peter**

- a. Conversation with Mayor Zahara: Peter talked with Mayor Zahara regarding how the Town and County will be going through with the multiplex without a theatre included in the building. Peter told the Mayor how ACES was disappointed that they were not told about the theatre exclusion and had to find out from the RFP that was displayed on the Town website. Mayor Zahara heard ACES concerns and would pass them onto the Town and County Councils.
- b. Attending Town Council Meetings
 - i. October 22, 2018: ACES members attended the meeting where Town Council unanimously passed the RFP for the concept drawings for the multiplex. Council took five minutes and 45 seconds to discuss this motion.
 - ii. Town Budget Meeting, November 3, 2018: During the all day budget meeting the Town of Edson put aside \$2 million out of Capital Reserve funds for the development of a Civic/Cultural facility. During the meeting, Mayor Zahara spoke about “the need for future theatre, library and town hall space.” ACES will keep apprised on this as developments are released.
- c. The next step(s): ACES wants to plan to lobby County residents about a new theatre. ACES recommends we speak to different County residents about raising awareness of the importance of arts and culture. Adrienne recommended we look at County residents who live on bus routes that go to the Town. Peter says HRH may have a list at their

production of Grease listing people who attended from Town and County.

5. **Arts Touring Alliance of Alberta Showcase, October 18-21 – Diana, Doug, Rose**
 - a. Diana: The ATAA Showcase was great overall. We networked with many people from all over the province. We spoke to a gentleman from the Demmitt Cultural Society in the teeny hamlet of Demmitt, about 80 km west of Grande Prairie with a 275 person capacity hall that was built as an initiative of a local artist. With a lot of volunteer sweat equity, it was built for around \$1 million. It is constructed mainly of post and beam straw bale and has a solar array on the roof which makes it very efficient. Diana has family in the area so should have the opportunity to visit in the near (?) future.
<https://www.demmittculturalsociety.org>
6. **Fundraisers & Publicity – Edson Aeros 50/50 - Peter**
 - a. Peter will contact Sandy Axmann for ACES to do the 50/50 for the Aeros playoff game in March. Peter will apply to AGLC for a license.
7. **Supporter List – Peter**

This will be tabled until further notice.
8. **Secretary/Treasurer's Report – Peter on behalf of Diana**
 - a. Diana will begin working on our annual return which is due December 31st.
 - b. The balance in our account as at this meeting is \$1,227.11. Peter makes motion to accept treasurer's report as stated. Ron seconds. **MOTION PASSED**
9. **Press Release for this Meeting – Peter**
 - a. There will be no press release at this time.
10. **Assigning Tasks/Recap:**
 - a.
11. **Next meeting:**

The next meeting will be either January 16 or February 13, 2019 (depending on when the Town releases the concept drawings for the multiplex) at Holy Redeemer.
12. **Adjournment:**

Clayton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 pm. **MOTION PASSED**