

**Arts Centre for Edson Society**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**President's Report**  
*September 8, 2021*

Here are the major highlights from the 2020-2021 year for the Arts Centre for Edson Society.

**September**

- ACES held their Annual General Meeting where they re- elected their current Executive, which is as follows:
  - President: Peter Taylor
  - Vice-President: Clayton Dearden
  - Secretary Treasurer: Diana Inscho
  - Director: Gemma Christie
  - Director: Ron Christie
  - Director: Rose Joudrey
  - Director: Kim Martin
  - Director: Shari McDowell
  - Director: Doug Woodhouse
- ACES wrote an open letter to the Town, County and public in support of the multiplex.

**November**

- ACES began the process of developing the Kids in the Arts Program.
  - Each member took on a different task of researching similar programs, to municipalities for support, listing different art groups, and listing different businesses that could donate.

**January**

- The Town of Edson put aside an additional \$1 million into the capital reserve for a future Civic/Cultural Facility. This brings the total in the reserve to \$3 million.
- ACES reported their findings for the Kids in the Arts Program.

**February**

- ACES finalized the forms and next steps in the Kids in the Arts Program.

**March**

- Peter Taylor made a presentation to the Town of Edson Council requesting \$5000 as seed money to start the Kids in the Arts Program.

**April**

- The Town of Edson granted ACES \$5000 as seed money for the Kids in the Arts Program.
- Letters went out to businesses requesting for sponsorship for the Kids in the Arts Program.

## **April**

- Fineline Stationary donated \$1000 and Bannister GM donated \$500 to the Kids in the Arts Program.

## **August**

- Servus Credit Union donated \$2000 to the Kids in the Arts Program.

## **Future Initiatives**

As President, I recommend the following initiative that ACES should take in the coming year. All initiatives need the consent of the ACES committee.

- ACES ensures the launch of the Kids in the Arts Program, and makes sure that funding is given the kids who need it.
- ACES asks a question to the candidates at the Town of Edson, Yellowhead County, GYPSD and Living Waters forums regarding the future development of a new theatre in Edson.
- ACES meet at least quarterly throughout the year, perhaps in person.

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