

The Patrick County Partnership for the Arts met on Tuesday, October 13, 2009 in the 300 hall activity room at the Landmark Centers. Those present were Joyce Grooms, Betty Kirkpatrick, Marceia Bartlett, Mark Donnell and Traci Petty, and Linda Daumen.

The minutes and the treasurer's report were presented and passed with a spelling error noted in the minutes. The PCPA has \$4063.01 following several purchases expenses associated with Art in the Park. Profit and losses were compared in each category for concessions, ticket sales and entertainment.

Linda presented on offer on behalf of Denny Alley – he has a trombone he is willing to sell us at the reduced cost of \$100.00 (was \$200.00 – you go Linda!). It was voted that we purchase the item, Betty will take care of this business on Thursday morning. Issues regarding previous instruments purchased were discussed. We need to be sure the instruments are being returned to the PCPA at the close of student rentals (elementary or high school band career).

Mark discussed the need for theatre blacks for his drama classes at PCHS. Linda has purchased the initial needs as a personal gift. The PCPA has agreed to purchase additional sets on a per need basis each semester. Everyone should be on the lookout at sales, Goodwill, etc for black pants, ls/ss black t-shirts and black socks. Sets of clothing purchased by Linda and/or the PCPA will be marked appropriately and returned at the close of each semester.

Popcorn schedule for October and November will be Betty and Marceia on October 24 and November 21 and Linda and Marceia on December 19. It was noted that the October show will begin earlier than usual – at 2:30.

Linda will be working the Apple Dumpling Festival. Betty will bring the tent, the table the money box and the signage to help set-up Saturday morning, October 17 at 8:00. Our booth will be stationed by the Historic Star Theatre.

The fund raising event of altered art “Fluff Your Flamingo” was introduced by Linda Daumen. Fluff Your Fancy, Feathery, Flightless, Funny, Flocking and Favorite Flamingo offers individuals, clubs, schools and businesses the opportunity to decorate a plastic yard ornament and enter it into a contest to be held at “The Evening with the Arts.” Fifty fluffy, friendly, frolicking flamingos costs \$80.00 and would be made available through the PCPA. Sounds like FUN! An entry fee for the event will be \$20.00 per flamingo and will begin January 1, 2010.

Linda has been in contact with the new owner of the uptown storefront. Ms. Marsh has asked that the PCPA draft a proposal for our use of the site. Linda has provided a rough draft that will be completed and mailed ASAP. Betty will be contacting Jo Evans with the VT Arts Initiative for her consideration of monies being made available for this site.

The good, the bad and the ugly of Art in the Park was discussed. Giving a free food ticket was NOT a good idea (kids got \$5.00 free food and \$5.00 free tickets!), staying at DeHart Park is a good idea, we needed lots more matting frames, we should consider the Rural Music Coalition (to perform in the gazebo) to fill in the space between Art in the Park and The Rye Cove Band. Next year's puppet will be Jack in the Beanstalk!

The Evening for the Arts is scheduled for Tuesday, April 13, 2010. Set up will begin the week prior to the After-Prom Party and they will be setting stage for our event. PCPA members should be prepared to set up on Saturday, April 10; Sunday, April 11; and Monday, April 12 (with permission of Dr. Morris). PCHS drama, band and chorus students will be invited to perform. Traci Petty suggested the Reynold Homestead Rural Music Coalition perform at The Empty Bowl meal on Friday, April 16.

The Big Band Bash is scheduled for March 20<sup>th</sup> – one performance only. Cecil Akers & Etc. along with Kevin Lewis and the MHS Jazz Band.

Mark announced the first PCHS Drama class performance “Once upon a Mattress” will be held on Wednesday, March 3, 2010, and again each night March 5 – 7.

Our next meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2009 at the Landmark Center.

Repectfully submitted

Betty Kirkpatrick, Secretary