

Board Meeting Minutes October 12,2023

Attending in Person: Dan Hust, Heinrich Strauch,
Jane Roth

Attending on Zoom: Ariel Shanberg, Robin Dintiman,
Rachel Gordon, Lilly Smith, Ken Sable,
Mary Sue Sweeney

Meeting called to order 630pm
No opening remarks

Review of minutes: Motion to accept minutes as is made
by Rachel, seconded by Ken, unanimously approved.

Executive Director Report-full report distributed. The following are highlights.

Ariel is representing DVAA at the Arts NYS conference in Troy NY. The conference is a forum for arts organizations and funding organizations in the state.

Big Eddy Film Festival

Very successful as confirmed by numerous statistics:
Increase in programming; two fold increase in attendance;
gross tickets sales increase;increase in sponsorships.

A special mention is due Jeff Allison and Jill Fruchter for the effectiveness of the volunteer program. 570 volunteer hours produced by 33 Volunteers which contributed substantially to the success of the BEFF

Performing Arts

Full schedule of performances at the Tusten through December 2023

Regrants

Program underway with information sessions scheduled at different locations in the county. First session held October 11 at Sullivan Public with 5 attendees-the best attendance ever at an info session

Treasurer's Report-Full report distributed. The following are highlights.

Financial status remains stable with unrestricted current assets equal to 4.7 months of operating funds.

Heinrich and Ariel to begin budget prep anticipating budget presentation at December Board meeting. Goal is budget approval by January 2024. Budget presentation will include recommendations for investments.

Board Development/Executive Committee

Dan will speak to Mary Sue and Rachel about possible Board candidates.

Facilities no report

Fundraising- Oct 4 meeting minutes distributed

Communications

Joan Glase, community member of Communications Committee, will represent DVAA at the Chamber's First Friday Networking Breakfast.

Programming

Calisto Stratton will serve as a community member of the committee and is interested in participating in 50th anniversary gala.

Capital Campaign. No report

Old Business

Ariel will review the draft of the RFP for strategic planner.

New Business none

Motion to adjourn made by Robin, seconded by Heinrich, unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 745pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Roth, sec'y