

Haliburton Highlands Arts Centre Foundation (HHACF)

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Haliburton Highlands Arts Centre Foundation (HHACF).

October 20, 2020. Via Zoom.

Attendees: Wil Andrea, Dan Manley, John Patterson, Ted Brandon, Paul Vorvis, Jack Brezina, Tammy Rae, Lisa Gervais (The Highlander), Mika Titze, Wendy Evenden, Lisa Kerr, Rita Jackson, John Jackson, Beth Kipping, Pat Morehead, Philip Morehead, Donna Enright, Marci Mandel, Margaret Dobrzensky, Ken Loney, Margaret Milne, Michael Clipperton

1. In his capacity as President of the Board of HHACF, Dan Manley called the meeting to order at 7:05pm and welcomed everyone. He declared that all those present would be considered “honourary” members of HHACF for the purposes of this meeting. Dan also advised that the meeting was being recorded on Zoom. Michael Clipperton volunteered to take minutes. Michael confirmed the names and spelling of all those in attendance.
2. **Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Beth Kipping, Seconded by Marci Mandel. **CARRIED.**
3. **President’s Report:** Dan Manley gave his President’s Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. His report included a brief history of HHACF, including becoming a registered charity and an incorporated entity in 2019. Dan also laid out some general plans for the coming fiscal year, including recruitment of new Board members, development of a Strategic Plan, increased awareness of the organization in Haliburton County and increased donations.
4. **Questions for the President:** Did HHACF receive feedback from Ontario Trillium Foundation regarding why our application was denied. Dan replied that we had and that OTF encouraged HHACF to apply again in 2021. Jack Brezina offered some additional tips regarding the Trillium application process.
5. **Treasurer’s Report:** Wil Andrea presented the Treasurer’s Report for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2020. Copies of the Profit and Loss

Statement, the Donations statement and the Balance Sheet are attached to these minutes.

6. **Questions for the Treasurer:** Why is the grant from Haliburton County Development Corp. not included in the Treasurer's Report? Wil indicated that these funds were not received until after July 31, 2020, so they will appear in next year's report.
7. Moved by Ted Brandon, seconded by Tammy Rae that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. **CARRIED.**
8. **A. Election of new Board members:** Dan Manley and Wil Andrea confirmed that the current members of the Board (Dan Manley, Wil Andrea and Michael Clipperton) are all in the middle of their two- or three-year terms. All have indicated that they are willing to remain on the Board.

B. Dan Manley indicated that Tammy Rea had expressed interest in joining the Board. Dan shared her brief bio with those present.

C. Dan Manley called for other nominations and/or interest from the floor. Beth Kipping volunteered to become a Board member. Beth shared a brief history of what she could bring to the Board.

D. Moved by Michael Clipperton and seconded by Margaret Milne that Tammy Rae and Beth Kipping be elected as members of the Board of HHACF.

E. Question from the floor: 1. What are the expectations of Board members? Dan Manley gave a brief overview including attending Board meetings, support for the Arts Centre cause, being prepared for Board meetings, etc. 2. Could we acclaim these new members without a vote? There is already a motion on the floor.

F. The President called for a vote on the motion. **CARRIED** unanimously.
9. Dan congratulated Tammy and Beth and welcomed them as the newest members of the Board of HHACF.

10. Dan opened the meeting for questions.

- a. What locations are under consideration? Several.
- b. What type of facility is being considered? Multi-purpose. We are looking at existing groups in the County and what their needs are.
- c. Have we received feedback from local municipalities? We haven't approached them in an official way as yet.
- d. Are we looking at assistance from municipalities and/or partnerships, particularly regarding Trillium applications? Yes.
- e. How many municipalities are there? Four townships, and the County.
- f. What is the time-frame we're looking at? Anywhere from five to 10 years.
- g. Are we looking at similar-size communities who have built Arts facilities? Yes. There are several in central and southern Ontario.
- h. Are we considering expanding our social media presence beyond FaceBook to included Twitter, Snapchat, etc. Yes.
- i. Are we looking for additional Board members and when could they join the Board? Yes. Prospective Board members can join at any time as volunteers, pending approval from the Board.

11. Dan thanked everyone for attending and for their questions. He called for a motion to adjourn.

12. **Adjournment:** Moved by Paul Vorvis. Seconded by Beth Kipping. 8:10pm.

Michael Clipperton
Acting Secretary