

Performing Arts Center Board Minutes 07/14/2011

SIMSBURY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 14, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dave Ryan called the meeting to order in Room 103 of Town Hall at 7:01 p.m. In addition to Mr. Ryan, Board members Leo Collins, Janet Goman, Ferg Jansen, and Greg Piecuch were present. Also in attendance were Tom Vincent, Venue Manager, and Nick Buccarella.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed and discussed the minutes of the June 23, 2011, regular meeting.

Mr. Piecuch moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 23, 2011. Mr. Jansen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. TMMF SEASON UPDATE

Mr. Vincent presented a written report concerning the Talcott Mountain Music Festival. It included details concerning attendance figures, facility fee income, and a concessions report. It was also reported that the HSO was up to date with payments. Though there have been weather impacts, the series is running smoothly from a production perspective. No action was taken.

IV. SIMSBURY IRON HORSE CONCERT SERIES

The Board reviewed and discussed a report on the Iron Horse Concert Series. Expenses are tracking slightly below budget. Ticket sales are modest, but advertising revenues are well ahead of projections. The next concert is Ticket to Ride on July 29.

The Board discussed implementation of the beer and wine sales policy. Concerns discussed were how to handle patrons who brought coolers, and whether or not to allow food and non-alcoholic beverages.

Mr. Piecuch moved to allow patrons to bring their own food and non-alcoholic beverages to the remaining concerts, and to check all coolers at the door to ensure that beer and wine were not being brought into the facility. Mr. Collins seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-1 with Mr. Jansen opposed.

The Board reviewed and discussed a proposal from the Maffe Foundation to co-promote the McLovins concert. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed and discussed a proposal from CBS radio whereby the PAC Board would receive advertising for the Amanda Carr concert at no cost in return for complementary tickets.

Ms. Piecuch moved to accept the from CBS radio whereby the PAC Board would receive advertising for the Amanda Carr concert at no cost in return for complementary tickets. Mr. Jansen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. 2011 BUDGET REVIEW

The Board reviewed and discussed a 2011 budget update. No action was taken.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF REQUESTS TO USE THE PAC FACILITY

There were not requests to use the PAC. No action was taken.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

The Board discussed the status of Septemberfest. The Board requested an update on the 2010 STEAP Grant which was awarded for shutters. No action was taken.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Collins moved to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Mrs. Goman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory W. Piecuch
Vice-Chairman