

# Performing Arts Center Board Minutes 10/13/2011

SIMSBURY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 13, 2011

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Ferg Jansen and Greg Piecuch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In addition to Mr. Ryan and Mr. Piecuch, Board members Cathy Barnard, Leo Collins, Janet Goman, and Sharon Lawson were present. Also in attendance were Tom Vincent, Venue Manager, Charity Folk and Bob Kulakowski of the Simsbury Chamber of Commerce, John Jepson of the Hartford Symphony, and Nick Buccarella.

## II. SEPTEMBERFEST DEBRIEFING

Ms. Folk was present for a debriefing of Septemberfest. Overall, she felt as though it was a fantastic event, particularly in light of the four-year hiatus and the change in location. She stated it was great working with Mr. Vincent and Mr. Buccarella. The Board discussed with Ms. Folk the successes of the event, as well as areas that could be improved upon. It was indicated that, if Septemberfest is held again in 2012, the Chamber of Commerce would like to move its home improvement show to the grass area. The Board thanked Ms. Folk and Mr. Kulakowski for all of the Chamber's efforts in making Septemberfest a success. No action was taken.

### IIa. TALCOTT MOUNTAIN MUSIC FESTIVAL DEBRIEFING

Mr. Piecuch moved to amend the agenda to include a TMMF debriefing. Ms. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion

passed unanimously.

John Jepson was present on behalf of the Hartford Symphony for a debriefing of the Talcott Mountain Music Festival. He noted that the biggest issue for the season was the weather. In terms of the Town's staff, Mr. Jepson complimented Mr. Vincent and Mr. Buccarella. He stated that there are always little issues that come up, but they were resolved. He stated that the support was excellent overall, and that there were no major issues to report. He noted that Mr. Vincent's knowledge of the site was valuable, and that his full-time presence was a benefit. Mr. Jepson is looking forward to next year. No action was taken.

### III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Piecuch moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 30, 2011. Ms. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### IV. INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

The Board reviewed and discussed the 2011 budget and preliminary financials prepared by the Town. The consensus was that the report was incomplete, and that further study was required. No action was taken.

### V. ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board reviewed and discussed a memo from Tom Cooke. The Board reviewed and discussed a draft year-end report submitted by Mr. Vincent. The Board decided to schedule a special meeting to work on putting the Board's year-end report together. Mr. Jansen and Mr. Piecuch indicated that they would meet with Town Staff to gather more information to be included in the report.

Ms. Barnard moved to schedule special meetings for October 27

and November 9. Mr. Jansen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### VI. CONSIDERATION OF REQUESTS TO USE THE PAC FACILITY

There were no requests to use the facility.

#### VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was no further old business.

#### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no additional new business.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Collins moved to adjourn at 9:04 p.m. Mr. Jansen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory W. Piecuch  
Interim Co-Chairman