MINUTES OF THE GRAND JUNCTION COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by chair Sandra Brown at 4:00 p.m. on April 27th, 1994.

Commissioners present: Andrews, Brown, Castleberry, Freitas, Kiefer, Killgore, Leinaweaver, and Sanders.

Commissioners absent: Hemmerich.

Guests: Lyn Dodd, Michael Smedley, Steve Mandel (God's personal assistant!?!?) and Sylvia Emery.

Minutes were approved as corrected.

REPORTS

- - Business in the Arts - -

This committee met and Richard submitted nominees to the Sentinel - - - it landed on the wrong desk, so he is still trying to get proper publicity. His committee consists of 2 Arts Commission people, 2 members of the Chamber of Commerce and Reford Theobold. Ann felt that the Commission might have more contributable knowledge toward this project. She wanted to go on record as disagreeing with the current process. The winner of the award should be known by our next meeting.

- - Missoula Children's Theatre -Phil reported on an extra 55.55 coming from City Market and that Sam's Club is willing to include this project as their employee fundraiser. Sandra read a letter from Sandy Kappes thanking us for sponsorship. Ann mentioned that there will be a conflict with this production and the fall college production.

-- JABOA --

Michael said they'll be having a meeting on April 30th and will let us know when the 3 workshops are going to be. One is tentatively set for June 4 - 5.

- - Revision of Strategic Cultural Planning - -

Sandra and Alison met. June 1st Sandra will get a cost sheet on the survey and how it may be carried out. There may be 2 surveys --- one of the general public --- and one of members of arts organizations. (same survey - different sampling of people). Michael mentioned one of the strengths of surveys in the past was that the questions included specific subjects. Ann added to be aware of the length of a survey. Sandra asked us all to think about what line of questioning we'd like to see on it.

- - Avalon - -

Paula attended their meeting. The reason we haven't been given a detailed expense report is because they haven't been billed yet. She asked them to forward it on to us. Meanwhile they've met with consultant Joan Madison 3 times.

--WCCA--

Cassie attended the Arts Center meeting. They talked about plans for the upcoming shows and how much to charge for tickets. Steve Mandel told us a sculpture was recently donated to the Arts Center. No results from their Membership Drive yet. They'll share results of their survey when they are compiled.

- - Staff Person - -

Sandra explained that our budget is a 'line item' amount in terms of the city. Our total budget for '94 is \$34,200.00. She said it looks like it's up to us where to put the staff person....the DDA is willing to let their clerical people help answer phone calls, but we'd have to pay for another phone line. The city is asking us to establish a checking account and to apply for our own tax ID numbers. Salary and social security will be paid out of this account. We will interview, we will hire, and Sandra asked for 2 separate groups of people to get this rolling. Cassie moved to select a treasurer who could be a co-signer with the chairperson on the account at a designated bank. Karen Kiefer volunteered to be the treasurer. Jeanne Killgore volunteered to help with personnel (Karen will assist her). Richard volunteered to search for a bank. On Wed., May 18th at 4:00 we will have a personnel meeting for commissioners to sort out 3 persons to be interviewed. Cassie said she'd help Sandra in connecting with the DDA on this process (1:30 meeting - Mon. with Barbara Creasman). We want the 3 interviews held following our May 25th meeting. Regular meeting will be at 4:00 and interviewing will proceed afterwards at 5:00.

NEW BUSINESS

Sandra asked that we have someone get familiar with the 'dog and pony show' script and slides. Phil and Ann volunteered. We discussed our direction and decided to table redirection until we hire our half-time staff person.

Richard and Cassie and Lyn are going to the CCCAC meeting the weekend of April 30th and do presentations.

Sept. 16 - 17 - 18Mark your calendars for the State Convention to be held in Montrose. We're hoping commissioners can attend.

Cassie moved that we adjourn.

Next regular meeting Wed. May 25th at 4:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Andrews