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Beaverton Arts Commission Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, January 20, 2009 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by board president, Kevin Hoover at 6:36 p.m.

Present: Joan Chapin, Melia Donovan, Kathy Gaona, Michael Heart, Joyce Kurtz, Andrew Loomis, Jed Shay, Melissa St. Onge, Laura Rawlins, Joel Schultz, Don Scorby, Diana Sullivan, Stephen Thompson, Kevin Hoover, Shelley Johnson

Members (Un)Excused: Eva Nunez

Guest: Naheed Brown, Artist

An artist originally from Bangladesh, but calls herself a Global Nomad. She has spent much of her life in Thailand, Seoul, and other exotic destinations. Naheed creates ornate masks, using inspiration from her native Bangladesh, Thailand, and Korea. She uses clay, pounded gold leaves, handmade paper, handmade silk, and paint. Naheed does not plan on selling her art, but may be interested in showcasing what she has created.

Guest: Valerie Otani, Public Art Consultant

Valerie shared with us many aspects of public art, utilizing a powerpoint presentations on different expressions of how Beaverton could make art a priority in our community. She suggests that we advocate having the city & parks district work earlier in their projects with artists. Aside from adding a facet of art in our community, there are funds available to add art in the community.

Guest: Clarinda White, Fundraising Development Consultant

Clarinda shared with us the results of our Fundraising Audits. Her analysis showed many positive results. The board is very strongly prepared to build "friend raising" contacts. We have people who are ready and willing to ask for support. The board has the knowledge and people skills available to successfully meet the commissions' goals. She was impressed by how many opportunities we have available throughout the year to create these opportunities. We need to work on creating these relationships and be sure to ask for individuals/companies to support the foundation/commission.

Board Business Items

Tabled December 2008 Minutes

Tabled December 2008 Treasurer's report

Kevin asked Laura about how the forum on performing arts. Approximately 60 to 70 people showed. Many ideas were shared. We're waiting for the notes from each of the tables from Jayne.

Joyce & Stephen spoke about Denny Doyle's inaugural ball. \$16k was raised; approximately \$5k will go to each charity. It was a great success. We're planning on having another one next year. Thank you Joyce for doing a fantastic job with planning it.

We need everyone's help with volunteering for the showcase

The Gala is on February 9th and the dress code is business casual.

Beaverton Civic Theater

This opens on March 12th at the Kingstad. The first production is "Psycho Beach Party."
Our board member, Melissa St. Onge is directing the play.

Andrew Loomis graciously offered to bring dinner to the next meeting February 17th.

Topics for Next Meeting

- Public art - locations

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.