

Nederland Community Center Foundation
Board of Directors Meeting October 6, 2010 at the Center
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Present: Tracy Brewer, Kristen Edwards, Jilene Norman, Dale Porter, Joe Gierlach, Diane Wohl, and Brian Gioia. Absent: Claudia Sheehan.

Minutes of August 4, 2010: Diane moved to approve the minutes and Kristen seconded. All were in favor of approving August 4, 2010 minutes.

Welcome Brian Gioia to the meeting. It was discussed that Brian will be coming to us as a non-voting member for a while. He has many ideas to share with the Board.

President's Report:

Dale formed a committee to plan the public meetings for the West Wing. It met Sept. 25 and though the members did not know one another beforehand, all proved to be ready to work together effectively. The committee includes Jilene Norman from our board; Jan Tafoya from the Seniors; Roger Cornell, longtime town board member; and Jeremiah "J" Ryan, manager of Whole Foods in Superior, a Big Springs resident with substantial facilitating experience. The committee worked out a plan: (a) the public will be invited to present suggestions at the first meeting. It is set for November 13, 2010 starting at 10:00 am.

The committee will advertise through a blog/chat page on our Foundation website that Kristen will obtain (for free) from Goozmo, and perhaps through Facebook, which Jilene will set up. The committee is also preparing the usual publicity materials for newspaper, flyers, etc. (b) The second meeting will be devoted to refining and substantiating the best ideas from the first meeting. (c) After that, they will send a report and recommendations to the town board. If the public's ideas involve changes to the building, we may need some site drawings, which Dale has asked Paul Turnburke, our resident (in the Center) architect, to prepare if needed. We may also need the services of a structural engineer, which is in the budget. Dale had the Board read over and give corrections on the agreement with J Ryan. The agreement was then approved and J will sign at the West Wing committee meeting Saturday morning.

As part of the West Wing project Dale invited representatives from Namaste Solar, Astralux Solar of Denver, and Lighthouse Solar to look at the roof and see whether solar hot water or solar PV could be mounted there if desired. The answer is yes, probably.

For the Art at the Center exhibitions for 2010-2011, Diane and Dale applied to the John Duncan Foundation and to the Wells Fargo Foundation for funding. Wells Fargo decided it needed more information about our IRS status, which Dale will gathering, and will consider our request again in December.

At some point the Town Board should provide the Foundation's goals for 2011 and we can devise a work plan.

Treasurer's Report: Not much new to report. The monthly and quarterly reports were reviewed. Dale and Kristen will meet to come up with a budget.

Locker/Shower room: Dale is getting an estimate from the plumber. An Architecture diagram was given. Dale will apply for the spring grant with the Tucker Foundation. Dale and Claudia will approach FEMA since it was designated an evacuation center with the fire.

Website Development: The Kitchen page is still on hold until the final Kitchen Agreement can be worked out.

Baffles for Mountain Meeting Room: Dale put out an email to a few people requesting money to purchase the Baffles. It worked and we now have enough money to purchase the Baffles. Kristen will pass the money along to the Town and the Town Administrator will oversee installation of the baffles by Public Works.

Fundraising: We need to develop a fundraising plan. Dale brought up that trying to target just wealthy individuals is not usually successful. The better strategy is to develop a wide base of loyal patrons. Kristen suggested a focus group for fundraising.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.