

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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**Regular Meeting**  
**DANCING SPIRIT COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER BOARD**  
**Thursday, December 29, 2021**

- ROLL** The Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center Board meeting was called to order on Thursday, December 29, 2021, at 6:06 p.m. Board Members present were President Anthony Box, Ula Gregory, Joanne Gantt, Shalina Luna, via phone, and Kasey Correia, Executive Director.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** The December 29, 2021 Agenda was amended under Old Business, Updates, number iii, to reflect that there are three seats Board seats available for election, not two.
- Board Member Gantt motioned to approve the amended minutes. Board Member Luna seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** The November 18, 2021 minutes were tabled until January 2022.
- APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER FINANCIALS** The Board was updated on the following current bank account balances: (1) Dancing Spirit's general account is at \$7,811.19, however the ELHI rent has not cleared; (2) Dancing Spirit's savings account is at \$113,000, which is for the purchase and/or remodeling of a new facility for Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center; and (3) It was noted that November artist sales came in at \$1,347.43.
- Board Member Luna motioned to approve the November financials as presented. Board Member Gantt seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.
- OLD BUSINESS**  
**UPDATE/REVIEW** The Board discussed the following updates: (1) Grant writer Riley has started working for Dancing Spirit and has initiated organizing all paperwork for current and past grants received; (2) The Board recapped the acceptance of Board Treasurer Eva Lewis's resignation via email on December 20, 2021; and (3) The Board reviewed the Board seats available in January 2022. Former Board Member Eva Lewis was filling the remainder of Melody Hedin's term, which ends January 2023. Board Members Gregory and Gantt terms end January 2022. Board seat terms available include one ending January 2023, and two terms ending January 2024. The Board was asked to think about candidates for these seats and bring this information to the next Board meeting.
- NEW BUSINESS**  
**UPDATE ON USDA LOAN** Executive Director Kasey Correia let the Board know that she received a text from Mike Harrell, owner of the 500 Goddard Street Building for sale, in which he relayed that the agreed purchase was off. Kasey is working with USDA's Dwayne Dale, who has contacted Mr. Harrell, but has not had any response. Mr. Dale assured Kasey that they are committed to helping Dancing Spirit get their building, wherever that location might be.

The Board discussed alternate locations to consider and/or to find out more information on included: El Amigo's, the Quonset hut, south side of El Amigo's, the previously discussed 170 Ute Street location, the Side Kick building, and the two lots between the Nuuchu Church and the Laundry Matt. The Board agreed that the cost of developing raw land would be extensive and too long of a timeline. Kasey said she will continue to work on Mike, but will also get more information on the Quonset hut and other buildings that are possibly for sale.

**GRANT UPDATE**

The Board heard the following grant updates: (1) Eva Lewis received award notification on the \$20,000 grant she applied for. This grant can be used for operations; (2) The USDA Revitalization grant is transferable to another location other than the 500 Goddard Street Building; and (3) Riley is working on the El Pomar grant application, which can be as high as \$20,000. If granted, this would go toward art kits.

**EVENT UPDATE**

The discussed the following information on the Black-tie DreamMaker Fundraiser: (1) The date has been moved to February 26, 2022, from 6 – 9 p.m.; (2) Board Member Box was able to acquire a donated art piece from Russell Box. Other Board Members know of really good artists and will inquire of their interest; (3) The Board set a tentative date to meet with the Sun Ute Casino's Events person, to discuss the arrangements and set-up; (4) The event theme will be a red and black Sweetheart's theme; and (5) Contracts to be approved by the Board, whether it is time volunteered, or paid for, include Secret Circus, the jazz band, and the magician.

**BUDGET APPROVAL 2022**

The Board reviewed the Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center 2022 Budget. Board Member Gantt motioned to approve the 2022 Budget as presented. Board Member Luna seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

**DANCING SPIRIT  
INSURANCE**

The Board was notified that D&O Insurance was acquired and is effective as of the first week of December. The Board heard that Kasey contacted many agencies and firms about Abuse Insurance and it may be that Dancing Spirit already has it under its general liability insurance. Due to minimal operations at this point, the risk is currently low. Kasey will let us know what she ultimately finds out.

**DIRECTOR'S  
UPDATE/REPORT**

Kasey let the Board know that moving forward, would like to see Dancing Spirit to not rely on grants as much as in the past.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Board Member Gantt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Board Members Luna and Gregory seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried. The next Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center Board meeting on Tuesday, January at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.