

## **La Porte County Symphony Orchestra**

### **Board Meeting**

**November 8, 2006 6:30 PM at Symphony Center & Gallery 614 Lincolnway**

Members present: Marcia Morris, Phil Bauman, Cheryl Ferguson, Leigh Morris, Sheryl Edwards, Ray Grivetti, John Spiggle, Kevin LeCavalier, Elizabeth Dekker, Jerry Huddleston, Joe Goepfrich, Lee Rardin, Ted Taylor, Andrea Taylor, Jo Fran Bendix, Meg Rodgers, Christine Ward, Stephanie Oberlie

**Marcia Morris (Board President)** – Opened meeting 6:30 PM  
Minutes approved from September 13, 2006 meeting

#### **President's Report**

- Distributed gallery financial information sheet (see attached)..
- Discussed new hours for the gift shop and gallery since we are having a hard time finding volunteers to work in the shop. New hours will be Friday and Saturday from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM until we have more volunteers.

#### **Financial Report (Board Treasurer-Joe Goepfrich)**

- Please see attached handouts.
- Finance Committee met in October.
- Ted will meet with the Finance Committee in January regarding insurance.
- January financials will reflect Children's Concert and Pops Classique accounting.

#### **Musical Director's Report (Phil Bauman)**

- Pops Classique concert is in wonderful shape.
- December Christmas concert is looking very good – Met with Maria Fruth from the Hospital Foundation and everything is moving along well.
- Children's Concert was a wonderful event, very successful. Thanks to everyone who helped.

**Assistant Music Director's Report** - none

#### **Executive Director's Report (Cheryl Ferguson)**

- See attached hand-out.
- Received \$3,020 from the Unity Foundation.
- Received \$5,626 from National Endowment of the Arts (South Shore Arts).
- Reported on TV interview.
- Need adult singers for the Christmas concert.
- Presented newspaper add and program cover.
- Mary Kelley is very ill – would appreciate **funny** cards having to do with golf, dogs, chocolate, scotch and water, morphine and boating. Her address is:  
1141 W. 300 N., La Porte, Indiana 46350.

#### **Personnel/Operations Director's Report (Lee Rardin)**

- Everything is going well.

- It was very enjoyable working with the actors at the Children's Concert.

#### **Public Relations (Christine Ward)**

- See attached handout.
- Have sold or given away 205 season tickets for 2006/2007.
- Need volunteers for upcoming concert.
- Need volunteers for Barnes & Noble fundraiser on December 2.
- We will only be doing archival recordings of the concert. Cannot sell them.
- Friends of the Symphony meeting Friday, November 10, at Lubeznik Center.

#### **Committee Reports**

- Financial Committee – No report.
- Artistic Committee – Will be meeting in November.
- Children's Concert – No report.
- Missing Maestro – Over 178 people bought tickets.  
Met our goal of \$18,000.00.  
Congratulations to Elizabeth!
- Fund Development – Meeting this Friday.
- Hoosier Star – See attached handout.
- Young Artist – Checking with Chuck Steck about holding auditions in April or May, then letters will go out. Young Artists will be chosen as usual – call Marcia if we hear people talking otherwise. Dr. and Mrs. Hay will give award of \$200.00.

#### **Orchestra Representative Report (Jo Fran Bendix and Meg Rodgers)**

- Symphony Center will be open between rehearsal and concert so symphony members have somewhere to go to relax. Ted and Jo Fran will write a policy pertaining to this.
- Symphony members would like to be included on committees for fundraising.

Marcia expressed that the city may have some tourism money to help us with a billboard.

**New Business** – Homes of Note will be getting organized in January.

**Adjourned:** 7:45 PM

#### **Dates to remember:**

- November 18 – Classical Mystique concert
- December 9 - Christmas Pops Concert
- **Next Board Meeting – January 10, 2007**

Submitted by Andrea Taylor, Secretary