

Lawton Philharmonic Society
Regular Board Meeting
Lawton Country Club

January 19, 2023

President David Jackson called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Jo Ann Knecht presented the December financial report. Cash on hand was \$206,011.63. Revenue was \$14,642.54 which included an Arts for All allocation of \$12,404.00. Operating expenses were \$5,524.81 for a net income of \$9,147.34.

Jon Kalbfleisch reported the 2023-24 season proposal. Everyone was satisfied with this proposal. Discussion was made concerning the need to have a concert in the Lawton High School Auditorium because of remodeling in McMahon Auditorium for the February 2024 concert. Ticket seating will be arranged differently to accommodate this space. Concert dates will be August 26, 2023, February 24, 2024 (LHS Aud) and April 27, 2024.

Patty Neuwirth presented her report. Lots of preparation are needed for a busy February:

*Jennifer Scott is needing help setting up the stage for Feb 15.

*Our youth concert of *Peter and the Wolf* is scheduled for Feb. 16. Volunteers are needed by 10 am with concert presentations at 10:30 am and 11:45 am.

*There will be a LPS vocal music student workshop at MHS from 11-1 on February 17. Our vocalists from *Creation* will be meeting with local students.

*On Feb 18 will be the Player's Showcase at the CU Music Building from 10-1. Two volunteers are needed to help check in players.

*Feb 18 will need volunteers to stuff programs at 2 pm at McMahon.

*Feb 18 volunteers are needed in the box office at 6:30. Janice Fritsch will help with ushers.

COMMITTEES:

^Programming – Discussion was held for the Feb 18 concert location, lighting and tickets. JoAnn Knecht moved to accept the proposal for the LHS Auditorium, Doris Lambert 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

^Grant Writing – Ronda Norrell reported she is working on grants.

^Marketing – Patty Neuwirth reported Kaley Patterson is posting on FB the LPO Showcase, *Peter and the Wolf* and ads.

^Fundraising – Instruments Transformed has 6 or more artists participating at this time. Their art will be displayed at the last concert then winners will be announced at the AFA Festival.

^Golf Tournament – Ronda Norrell announced the tournament is Monday, August 28, 2023.

^LPO Showcase – Discussion was held hoping there will be more local players to audition and hopefully be chosen.

Concert – We have school coming for *Peter and the Wolf*. Volunteers are needed help get students in and out. Please wear your name tag.

^Youth - Because there is enough in the youth fund for ticket purchases, it was decided to give our board donations to Hospitality to offset purchasing refreshments.

^AFA Gala – JoAnn Knecht reported as to date the gala had income of \$81,282. Expenses were \$26,534 with a profit of \$57,098. There will be a kick-off luncheon on Feb 28 with arts awards being given at the Apache Hotel. There will also be a tribute to Bobbie Matchette for her 28 years of dedication as Director of AFA.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, Feb 2 at noon.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Chapman, Recording Secretary

Members Present: JoAnn Knecht, Janice Fritsch, Barbara Moeller, Cindy O'Connor, Tim Diley, Doris Lambert, Jim Lambert, Kathy Hickman, Piere Mariano, Carol Gardner, Ronda Norrell, Melissa Beck, David Jackson, Linda Chapman.

Executive Director – Patty Neuwirth