Minutes from the Sac City Arts Council
6:00 PM, Monday, July 20th, 2026
Shull Center Cafeteria, Sac City

Members present: Lance Jenkins, Sarah Gangelhoff, Curtis Bloes, Abby Lund, & Lance Wilhelm

1) Call meeting to order

Curtis Bloes called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

2) Approve agenda

Lance Jenkins made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Abby Lund seconded that motion. Motion passed 5-0.

3) Minutes from previous meeting

Abby Lund made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Sarah Gangelhoff seconded that motion. Motion passed 5-0.

4) Financial report

a) *Review of report*

Lance Jenkins presented the financial report showing that the Friends of the Arts Council account (held by the Sac Community Foundation) currently holds $17,155.74. The TNA fund holds $2,693.02, the Friends checking account holds $2,249.04, and the City budget carries a $130.85 deficit, which the City said will be wiped out. Overall funds available to the Arts Council: $21,966.95. We believe the City will fund the Arts Council at the $5,000 level for 26-27. Lance Jenkins will check on that amount. Lance Wilhelm made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Sarah Gangelhoff seconded that motion. Motion passed 5-0.

b) *Presentation of bills for approval*

Lance Jenkins presented a bill for a meal for the Missoula Children's Theater directors for $52.41. Lance Jenkins made a motion to reimburse Abby Lund for this expense, using Friends of the Arts Council funds. Sarah Gangelhoff seconded that motion. Motion passed 5-0.

c) *Discuss/approve payment to Kevin Peyton for microphones and headsets*

Lance Jenkins presented a bill for $852.08 from Kevin Peyton for microphones and headphones. These were discussed at a previous meeting and approved as part of the Community Theater production budget. Lance Wilhelm made a motion to pay this bill from our City funds. Abby Lund seconded that motion. Motion passed 5-0.

5) Old business

a) Community Theater update

The next Community Theater production will be November 21 & 22. A signup session and open house will be held on August 31st. A play will be selected later after numbers are determined, and rehearsals will begin in September. There will be three groups for the fall production. 2nd grade through 4th, which Hallie will take charge of. 5th through 8th will be led by Dave Carpenter and Faith Worley of Carroll. 9th-12th grades will be led by Abby Lund. It was mentioned that Dave Carpenter and Faith Worley will need to go through background checks before working with students.

b) Shull Center update

Improv Group workshop – the upcoming improv group will be presenting a 90-minute workshop prior to their performance on August 15th. Lance Jenkins asked if the Arts Council would be interested in helping to sponsor the group. The cost to bring them to the Shull Center is

$3,000. After some discussion, Abby Lund made a motion to provide $1,000 in sponsorship from the Friends account. Sarah Gangelhoff seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0, with Lance Jenkins abstaining.

Lance Jenkins provided a list of the many upcoming events at the Shull Center.

c) Missoula Children's Theater report

Lance Jenkins reported that while participation was not as high as originally hoped, the production was a success and a positive experience for those who participated, as well as for the audiences. There was approximately $1,000 in free will offerings, and about $300 from participation fees from the performers. Two students took advantage of the scholarship opportunity. The $1,900 rent for the Shull Center was covered by a grant from the Sac Community Foundation, and the rest of the $3,900 cost was covered by the Arts Council.

Lance Jenkins said the Missoula theater group had inquired about coming again next year. After some discussion, Lance J.. will check with the group about their availability. The council discussed the best summer dates would work. The week after the 4th of July weekend was identified as perhaps being a better one to boost participation? Booking early for 2027 will likely yield a $750 to $1,000 discount.

d) Chautauqua Building murals report

Lance Wilhelm reported that all 8 of the other towns in the county have picked up their canopies. The Sac City one is currently stored in the stage left storage area. After some discussion, it was agreed that Lance W. will contact the City to see if it would be possible to mount the canopy above the windows on the stage, so that it can be rolled down when appropriate to the occasion.

e) Review and set goals for 2026-27

i) Pursue an Artist in Residence?

Discussion continued from previous meetings, including what all is involved in an artist in residence program, and what type of artist are we looking to sponsor – a music artist, a visual arts artist, a writing artist, etc. Abby Lund will contact people who are good at play/script writing, and report back at the next meeting.

ii) Consider co-sponsoring a bus trip to see an event (Des Moines, Omaha, Sioux City, Okoboji)?

Discussion was continued from previous meetings. Various locations, shows, and price points were considered. Lance W. will create a draft of a survey to gauge interest in the surrounding area for such a bus trip to a show.

iii) Consider work on new and/or existing murals around town

Discussion continued from previous meetings about this topic. Several possible locations were identified. Lance W. will contact Crystal Hanrahan at the Chamber to indicate that the Arts Council is possibly interested in co-sponsoring a mural, and then report back at the next meeting.

iv) Other possible goals?

Curtis Bloes brought up the ideas of continuing to promote local bands playing at the Shull Center, as there several starting up. Additionally, Curtis brought up the idea of the Shull Center marketing itself as a "stopover" site for bands traveling in the area.

f) Other updates

6) New business

7) Next meeting – August 17th at 6:00 PM @ the Shull Center

8) Open forum

There were no members of the public present to comment.

9) Adjourn meeting

Abby Lund made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sarah Gangelhoff seconded that motion. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 PM.