

**Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, January 27, 2015
Plasma Technology, Inc. Conference Room
1765 Oak Street - Torrance CA**

Approved 2-24-2015 by ACT Board of Directors at its Regular Meeting
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The meeting of the Arts Council of Torrance Board of Directors was called to order by President Norris at 6:35 p.m. in the Plasma Technology Conference Room, 1765 Oak Street in Torrance CA.

A quorum to conduct business was established. Attending the meeting were: Steve Norris, Patrice Lefevre, Janene Ferguson, Eileen Haussmann, Peggy Dowell, Sue Berliner and Megan Willis

Excused: Owen Griffith, John O'Brien, Jeannine Madden

The minutes of the November 25, 2014 meeting were distributed. Janene Ferguson **moved** to approve the minutes, Eileen Haussmann **seconded** the motion. **Motion Carried.**

President Norris appointed Megan Willis as Historian for the remainder of the year. Peggy Dowell **moved** to approve the appointment. Eileen Haussmann **seconded** the motion. **Motion Carried.**

School Liaison Report: No report given

Patrice Lefevre distributed the Treasurer Report for period ending December 31, 2014 as follows:

Beginning Balance:	\$ 4,232.05
Income:	10,660.00
Expenses:	10,767.34
Ending Checking Balance	<u>4,124.71</u>
One West Bank CD	\$ 9,619.39
Petty Cash	<u>50.00</u>
Total on Hand	\$13,744.10

Peggy Dowell **moved** to approve the report. Eileen Haussman **seconded.** **Motion Carried.**

Patrice Lefevre **moved** to pay a total of \$361.49 to Sue Berliner for reimbursement of expenses related to the November and February General Membership meetings. Eileen Haussmann **seconded.** **Motion Carried.**

Sue Berliner **moved** to purchase a plaque for the donor of the \$10,000 for the light board at the Armstrong Theatre which will be presented to him by a delegation from the ACT Board. Janene Ferguson **seconded.** **Motion carried.**

Corresponding Secretary Eileen Haussmann reported she has mailed five birthday cards, a thank you to Richard Whitehorse for speaking at the luncheon, a card to Jeannine Madden regarding her son's accident, and to the donor of monies for the light board at the Armstrong Theatre.

Sue Berliner, 1st Vice President, reported that invitations has been mailed to members for the GMM on February 7, 2015 at the Sizzler. It was agreed to send additional invitations to Mayor and Council members as well as to the members of the Cultural Arts Commission. Ted Lange is the main guest speaker. Local artist Ron Libbrecht who's work is featured on the invitation, will also give a short presentation.

Gifts to the speakers and the opportunity drawing were also discussed.

Interim Membership Chairman Peggy Dowell reported that ACT has approximately 60 members.

An e-mail from John O'Brien was shared indicating he would have information regarding the Arts Recognition Awards by February 2nd.

City Liaison Janene Ferguson reported on several City of Torrance events scheduled in the future including the Cherry Blossom Festival on March 15th.

Fund-raising projects discussion will be discussed at the next meeting. Janene Ferguson did suggest we think about the possibilities of combining an art walk incorporating the many micro-breweries which have opened in Torrance.

Patrice Lefevre will attend the College Fair at West High School on February 21, 2015 and represent ACT and give information about the Arts Recognition Awards.

Patrice will also attend the Visions of Unity awards when that event is scheduled this Spring.

Steve Norris reported that the Torrance City Council will be taking input at a hearing tonight regarding mid-term budget items which includes the allocation of \$1.2 million for the updating and equipment replacement at the Cultural Arts Center including the James R. Armstrong Theatre. He will be attending to speak in support of this budget item on behalf of the ACT.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next board meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Peggy Dowell
Secretary