

Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2011 – 5:30 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant and Bar

Attending: Gary Aalen, Judy Brown, Jackie Cable, Terry Capps, Temple Carter, Diane DuPont Marlow, Melinda Edmondson, Carol Garrison, Jerry Kimmel, Clarice Lee, Diann McCabe, Marianne Moore, Chris Perez, Beth Rankin, Molly Ann Rosas-Garcia, Veronica Suarez, Marlene Silcocks, Lisa Spencer, Rod Awan, Sandy Stouffer.

Excused Absences: Viki Hicks, Jo Ellen Korthals, Linda Volden

I. Call to Order – President Judy Brown

- II. Approval of Minutes** of previous meeting on September 13, 2011
A motion was made by Jackie and seconded by Chris to approve the minutes.
The motion passed.

III. Committee Reports

A. Special Events Committee – Marianne Moore

1. Cottage Kitchen took in \$600 and served approximately 85 people. Molly made a motion that we continue to host the Cottage Kitchen on the 2nd Friday of September. Gary Aalen seconded it. The motion carried. It was also discussed that we have the same menu next year.
2. The FOFAC Board will have their annual Christmas Party at the Garrison's house on Tuesday, Dec. 13th, from 6:00-8:30. Board members and their guest are asked to bring an appetizer, side dish, or a dessert. Marianne will prepare the meat. It will be BYOB. There will be no business meeting.

B. Membership Committee – Diane DuPont

The Donor Event was a huge success. There were 143 people present which was the highest number ever attending. The cost was about \$34 a person. The Young Friends organization will work with our group and seek to build our total membership. As of today's date, there are 272 individuals. There will be a mid-year membership drive.

Chris Perez talked about the Young Friends organization trying to target young people and inform them about all of the wonderful fine arts events going on at Texas State. Some possible activities that might draw in younger people are having an 80s night, the dinner theatres, and Havana nights.

C. Travel Committee – Kevin Gilley

Kevin reported that our next international trip would be to Eastern Europe. The dates are May 19-30, 2012, and the cost is approximately \$4,000 per

person. The deposit will be \$1200 per person. There is also the possibility of taking a U.S. trip in the Fall to Napa Valley. There are no specifics yet.

D. Communication and Publicity – Gary Aalen

Gary thanked Diane DuPont and the committee for the fantastic Donor Event. He also thanked Sandy Stouffer for successful dinner theatre for Anna in the Tropics. Members will be contacted to renew their membership. His challenge is that each Board member bring in three new members. Terry Capps stated that information and updates need to be sent to the Buda and Kyle Chambers of Commerce. It was also reported that a former Board member and faculty member, Peggy Bruner, fell and was injured. A card for her was passed around tonight to be sent to her.

E. Ambassador Committee – Jackie Cable

Chris Perez and Jackie Cable provided a table with brochures and calendars on the porch of the Cottage Kitchen on Sept. 16, 2011. Calendars and brochures were distributed to patrons when they finished eating. Chris Perez also made arrangements for brochures to be available in the Sac-n-Pac room prior to home football games. Jackie Cable delivered those brochures to the Athletic Department. Jackie Cable gave brochures to the new North Street Hair Salon to be placed on their coffee table. Chris Perez was interviewed by Catherine Harper and the interview was printed in “The Texas State University Blog”. Beth Rankin set up a table at the Price Center for the dinner-theatre performance of Anna and the Tropics.

F. Theatre Dinner Club – Sandy Stouffer

Oklahoma will be the next dinner theatre event on November 11th and 12th. It will be at the Price Center and possibly at the JCK building on the 11th floor. The Little Princess will be performed Oct. 16-19 at the new San Marcos Texas Music venue on the square. There are several production to look forward to in the Spring.

Tim Mottet spoke about The Little Princess and said that it would only be musical numbers and not a full production. He thanked everyone for their work on Anna in the Tropics. During mass com. Week, Oct. 17-20, there will be 43 events. People can go online to www.txstate.mcweek.com and it will give a complete list of events. He also passed out a compiled list of goals and plans for the College of Fine Arts and Communication for the 2011-2012 year.

Kevin Gilley – Kevin gave a financial report about the expenses for the donor appreciation event. The cost was slightly higher than last year.

- IV. Old Business** – Judy reminded everyone to join Friends if you haven't done so. Lisa Spencer talked about forming groups to raise money for scholarships.

- V. **New Business** – The group sang Happy Birthday to Gary Aalen. We were reminded about an art display on Saturday at the square from 10:00-5:00 encouraging the arts in San Marcos. Marianne informed us that on Wed., Oct. 19th, Tres Hermanas would be donating a percentage of each food item purchased to CTMC for Breast Cancer.

VI. **Adjourn**

**Respectfully submitted,
Carol Garrison**