Minutes of the Arena Theater Board of Directors 2-28-24

Call to Order: the meeting was called to order by Blake More at 6:04 p.m. in the auditorium

Roll Call: Present- More, Crutcher, Sussman, Andersen, Vanderwoude, McMurtry, Curbelo Absent- McFarland and Beattie Staff- Shauna and Dagmar Guests- Lisa Joakimides and Kat Gleeson

Correspondence/ Privilege of the Floor- Kat Gleeson brought up the matter of printing T-shirts. We wouldn't make a lot of money from them, but it would serve our brand. Also, volunteers working at the theater might be given them to wear. She located a group in Anchor Bay that has no minimum order. She spoke with Steve Oliff about using the sconce cutouts and Blake mentioned she has artwork from previous efforts. Kat will bring a proposal to the board at our next meeting.

Approval of the Agenda- Mark moved and Tim seconded a motion to approve. All in favor.

Approval of the Minutes of January meeting- Sundance moved and Susan seconded motion to approve. All in favor

President's Report- no report.

Secretary's Report- no report

Treasurer's Report- Sundance reaffirmed that we are in pretty good shape financially and should end the year ahead of the beginning of the year. We have one quarter left which usually loses money, but the Marley show did well and that will help. Also, salary increases have been implemented. Sundance concluded by reminding the board that he will not be on the board next year and we will need someone to take on this role.

Standing Committee Reports- Membership/Fundraising: Lisa gave the report as Rod was feeding his dog (Zoom meetings). She said we have 291 memberships representing 457 individuals. The Annual Meeting will be on April 24 at 5:30 p.m. Susan, Lisa, and Tracy Dupont are running for board seats. Dagmar mentioned that candidate statements need to be submitted by March 26 and online voting begins April 8. Paul has agreed to organize the meeting with a bar and potluck. The meeting will not be on Zoom. January brought in \$2845 which is a bit better than last year. We need new focus for the Hav-A-Seat program. New listening devices, popcorn machine, a printer and other equipment needs are being considered. *Cinema*: Dagmar reported that with the time change the Wednesday matinees, which have not been well attended, with switch back to 7:00 p.m. on March 13. She also discussed the hearing assist situation which still needs resolving. There will be an Oscar Party and details were discussed. *Live Programming*: Shauna reported on the upcoming rental of martial arts competition and on March16 a St. Paddy's Day fundraiser for the backline, March 30 is the first Blues on the Coast show with Ric Estrin and Samba Da on April 5. Shauna also informed the board that the schools are using our space for assemblies for which we charge them only the House Manager's time. Telecasts: Exhibition on Screen is next Sunday. Dagmar pointed out that we have two operas in March and NT Live has returned. *Publicity*: Dagmar informed the board that she has worked with Blake on changes to the website that Dagmar thinks is a good improvement. Blake has also refigured the mobile version and if anyone sees any problems with it, please let her know. Tracy has set the blues series and Dagmar has been busy putting all that info on the website. Film Club did very well last week and is

doing fine in general. *Personnel*: did not meet. No problems. Irene had transportation problems and couldn't work so Dagmar began training a new employee who became unavailable due to illness, but Irene returned and all is well. *Facility*: Tim said there is nothing big to report. The rug will not be shampooed until the wet weather ends. Same goes for the overhang roof repair on the south side of the building.

Old Business none

New Business Mitch was absent so the item about leave policy was tabled.