

Friends of the Ritz, Inc

Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 26, 2021, 7:00 PM
via Zoom Meeting

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Regular meeting called to order by President Keith Kozicki Time: 7:01pm

Roll call by Secretary Sharon Crenshaw:

President Keith Kozicki-**P**, President-elect Gary Cortellino-**P**, Secretary Sharon Crenshaw-**P**,
Treasurer Sharon Crosby-**P**, Board Member Even Hellenga- **P**

II. Approval of Agenda of January 26, 2021

Motion: Sharon Crosby Second: Evan Hellenga

III. Approval of September 22, 2020 Minutes

Motion: Sharon Crosby Second: Sharon Crenshaw

IV. Reports:

a) Treasurer's Report – Keith Kozicki

Available Funds as of today: \$6,452.11

This includes: \$6,250.38 in bank account plus additional \$201.73 in undeposited funds
(see attached Treasurer's report)

Second payment of approximately \$2,600 for Sound System upgrades purchase funded by Hart EMC Foundation grant will still need to be paid.

Our cash flow position is in fairly good shape, all things considered.

b) Programming Committee Report: Keith Kozicki/Sharon Crosby

No commitments right now.

Sharon Crosby - Partnership with FOR & Toccoa Mainstreet

- Christmas Show

- Others \$8,000. - 9,000.

Survey - may wait it out, look for succession.

Gary Cortellino - 163 responses to first survey.

Tami Mayhugh joined in the meeting.

Sharon Crosby talked with Katie Deal (Christmas program) there is a small window to work with. \$7,500 or cheaper with a smaller band.

c) Membership Committee Report - Keith Kozicki

Currently have 32 active members

Promotion with coasters - 43 total

Possibly sell other coasters at The Ritz for \$10 - \$12 (*cost to FOR: \$4.50*)
(*it costs \$4.60 to mail*)

Submitted as is.

V. New Business

a) Comments from incoming President: Gary Cortellino

Thankful for this opportunity. Glad Board is still together to work. We are in this together.

FOTR was awarded 2020 Main Street Volunteer of the Year.

The Facebook page has been worked on with help of Christian Hamilton. Tab for FOR members now included.

b) Goals

Toccoa-Stephens County Tomorrow

Downtown Entertainment District, 2-23 block area to have opened drinks. - Exaggerated "Sip & Stroll", could include food trucks. This is going before the City Commission. Beer & wine @ The Ritz license.?

Tami Mayhugh - Along with Mainstreet involved, we might also work that through Reflections.

Programming & funding:

Board members involved through helping with Sponsorship/Contributions/Donations. Gary will send out other Theater strategies. Sharon Crosby said we should use what we have as a starting point.

Looking at Community Theater - Gary applied for \$15,000 grant for Community Theater, theater & lighting.

Future meeting dates: 4th Tuesday of the month, quarterly.

Keith will send out an email for the next meeting date.

c) 2021 Budget

Director & officer Insurance

(Tabled for later discussion)

Motion: Sharon Crosby Second: Gary Cortellino

d) 2021 Fundraising Ideas

(Tabled for later discussion)

Motion: Keith Kozicki Second: Sharon Crenshaw

e) Revised membership options

Family membership: maybe \$60.

(Tabled for next meeting)

f) 2021 Programming discussion

(Tabled for next meeting)

g) Georgia Presenters Update:

Gary to send email.

h) Public comments

Ron Matheson: Great ideas, looking forward to working with this board.

IV: Adjourn meeting

Motion: Sharon Crenshaw Second: Gary Cortellino

Adjourned: 8:00pm

The 2021 Annual Membership Meeting was held following the board meeting.

Board members: Gary Cortellino, Sharon Crenshaw, Sharon Crosby, Evan Hellenga, Keith

Kozicki, and new Board Member Ron Matheson - all won their elections unanimously. Sixteen ballots for FOTR board positions were counted and voted unanimously. Keith & Leslie Kozicki validated in front of all in the meeting.

Vicky King was nominated and approved by the Board to fill one of the three remaining open board member positions.

Selection of Officers for 2021:

President: Gary Cortellino

President Elect: OPEN

Treasurer: Keith Kozicki

Secretary: OPEN

Friends of the Ritz
 Treasurer's Report
 1/26/2021

January Bank Activity

Post Date	Check	Description	Debit	Credit	Status	Balance
01/22/2021		PAYPAL TRANSFER *****7593		69.82	Posted	6250.38
01/19/2021	623	Check	466.72		Posted	6180.56
01/13/2021	622	Check	92.00		Posted	6647.28
01/11/2021	621	Check	2607.50		Posted	6739.28
01/11/2021	620	Check	225.00		Posted	9346.78
01/06/2021		PAYPAL TRANSFER *****6434		645.51	Posted	9571.78
01/06/2021	45705212	Customer Deposit		172.00	Posted	8926.27

Cash in Bank	6,250.38
Undeposited Checks	72.00
Undeposited Cash	25.00
PayPal	104.73
EventBrite	0.00
TOTAL	6,452.11