

Reversing Falls 3 in 1 Meeting March 25, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm, Anne Ferrara led us in a thoughtful reading.

10 people attended representing the three sub committees - Finance, Building and Programs.

Finance team

Daksha reported that Karen Adamo was home sick, so she did not have a current balance to report.

- * \$200 expense for ozonator machine - via Ralph Chapman was paid.
- * A financial grant through the UMC is being applied for to help cover part of funds for flooring costs.
- * Need a head/lead person for the artwork hanging and lighting project. Maybe John Miller will help Daksha with ordering? A carpenter needs to be hired to do the work. It was suggested that a good liaison maybe Bill Mulliken. Probably an electrician will be involved. Gerry Gray, possibly. The first step is the ordering after receiving word about the grant.
- * Brooklin Band may come again this summer.
- * Flash in the Pans is scheduled for 7/7/2014
- * Discussion was had about a gift from Ralph Greene. He has in his possession the Robert McClosky Boat as depicted in the book written by him entitled, "Burt Dow, Deep Water Man" from 1963. Ralph wishes to donate it somehow to Reversing Falls to be possibly auctioned or raffled to make money for further improvements. The logistics of moving it from Dedham to Brooksville has to be worked out. Also some sort of plan for promoting whatever happens to it should be discussed and formulated.

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Building team

Flooring - Reported by Gail Vencill

* David Carter looked at floor in the RF sanctuary. He talked of the floor needing to be chemically cleaned and then sanded and refinished. \$4800 was estimated for that cost and the hall would have to be closed for two weeks.

* Second Option - Laying new floor down - Bamboo pre-finished tongue and groove, nailed flooring. \$1.37 - \$3.00 per foot. 945 square feet of floor area. Cost \$4500- \$5000. Brown paper would be placed under and before the new floor goes down. This is the committee's recommendation. A few carpenter names were mentioned to approach for bid: Nick Hlavaty, Ken Burnham, David Gray, Hugh Evans (Penobscot) and others will be asked for estimates. A few other suggestions were made about other floor treatments. Agreement was made that it is probably good to use a higher, more durable grade of materials, whatever is chosen. **People present voted to do the bamboo treatment. This has to be done when funds are available.**

Heat Pump - Dan Husjien and Ralph Chapman presented information to the building team about this. They recommended this for use in the building. The cost of installing in the wall (possibly over the closet in the rear where theater lights are now stored) would be estimated at \$3000 for unit. It was unclear where this option was on the 'priority list' but the concept and need seemed important to all.

* Priorities must be examined again. Mud issues, Steeple repairs, health of the interior air. Flooring, heat pump, parking, kitchen, bathroom, well for water, art hanging paraphernalia, and Fund raising all fall into the mix. Insulation was questioned as well.

* It was suggested that adding small plaques describing the donated items on a selected wall might be appropriate.

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Program Team

Reported by Gary Vencill

- * He talked about the plans already in place. They are sent out on various email lists as well as on the website for Reversing Falls. www.reversingfalls.org
- * Most events take place at RF; exceptions would be the play *Granny D* which will be performed at Emlen Hall at the Bay School and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission which will take place at the BH Congregational Church.
- * Time change on the monthly movies: 6:30 on last Sunday of every month.

General Discussion

Business meeting and Community-building meetings:

- * About allowing each team to have the ability to spend up to \$300 for needed items before having to call a meeting of the 3 in 1 group to vote on such an expense. This suggested amount is only a suggestion and may need further discussion. This is probably needed if an expenditure comes up in between the 3 in 1 meetings and if a team sees that something needs to be done quickly.
- * Need for conflict of issue resolution tabled until next month.
- * Discussion about Business meeting vs Dinner meeting. The consensus was to have monthly business meetings and occasional community-building potluck suppers with some structured exercises to encourage our getting to know one another.
- * The first community-building potluck meeting will be on 5/18 at 5pm at RFS. A committee has formed to plan this event (Gary, Martha, and Gerry).
- * Alison Miner will record at meetings she is able to attend.
- * Next 3-1 meeting will be on May 20th @ 5 pm. Tony will facilitate.
- * Meeting adjourned around 6:20.

Respectfully submitted, Alison Miner