9_05_2013 FINAL Minutes, Governance Committee

Present voting members: Nancy Stearns, Sandra Harrington, Libbie Jae, Evelyn Bless Absent voting members: Nancy Manning, Bob Kerns Also present: John Miley, Paul Berg

Called to order 1:10 p.m.

Chair: Nancy S., minutes: Evelyn

Approval of August minutes. Evelyn motioned to accept with Nancy Manning's corrections; Libbie seconded. Approved.

Organizational Efficiency update: Kathy Sutton is 85% done and offers to have report for committee or next Board meeting.

Agenda item for Sept. Board meeting: Kathy's report.

Surveys (member, student, volunteer, staff):

Will go out starting in September. Goal should be to have statistics by annual meeting in February.

Agenda item for next month: Paul will send member survey to everyone, we will do group review during meeting.

Strategic planning: Board must select date. We want to select facilitator first. **Action item**: Paul will find facilitator name(s) from Nonprofit Leadership Center by next month.

Capital improvement. Next meeting is 10/7 at 4 p.m. We are laying groundwork by asking important players to get acquainted with us and plan. Jack Carlisle will visit in Sept (Nancy S., Paul and Jennifer Fritch). Victor Crist: later. Commissioner Higginbotham: we want him to visit.

Board candidates update:

Action item: Evelyn will speak to Craig Nowicke. Ask him to submit paperwork only. Members should think of additional names, possibly adding diversity; approach should be to ask them if they know of potential Board members, not necessarily ask them personally. (Soft pedal approach). Wait until after FriendRaiser; invite possible people to FriendRaiser and bring up this topic (among others) at the tables.

Policy research: ongoing. Possibly done in October or November.

Board self-assessment: We updated form. Action item: Evelyn will revise. Agenda item for next month: We will review final.

Arts council eligibility for grants: consensus that we should apply for grants. Talk with Victor Crist if there's a problem.

Adjourned 2:35 p.m.

Next meeting 10/3, 1 p.m.