**Friends of Carrollwood Cultural Center**

**Annual Meeting**

**January 17. 2018**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Board Members Present**:Nancy Stearns, *President*, Bill DeMare,V*ice President***,**Neil Smith,Evelyn Bless,*Secretary*,*Treasurer*, Susan Baxter Gibson**,**Craig Nowicke

**Board Members absent**Alan Preston

**Staff Members Present:**Paul Berg, *Director*

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Call to order, quorum present, at 7:00 p.m. by Nancy Stearns, President

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Public comment**: Nancy Manning stated that she wished there was more advertising of the meeting since she was the only guest in attendance...Paul explained that extensive advertising was done on the internet, social media, and sent to the newspaper.

1. **Adoption of Agenda**:

**Motion:** Neil Smith

**Second:** Susan Baxter Gibson

**Motion passed:**6-0

1. **Approval of 2017 Annual** Meeting Minutes:

**Motion:**Susan Baxter Gibson

**Second:**Neil Smith

**Motion Passed**: 6-0

1. **Welcoming statement:**Paul Berg, welcomed Nancy Manning to the meeting.
2. **Introductions of Board and Committee Chairs:**Nancy Stearns, President, asked each board member to introduce themselves and state the committees on which they serve.
3. **State of the Center:** Paul Berg distributed the Center’s Annual Report for 2017. He gave a summary of the center’s fiscal status, and stated that an estimated 48,000 people had come through the doors last year. Over $18,000worth of freemeeting space was provided to the community.The volunteers provided $68,000 worth of service to the center. Looking ahead to 2018, the pedestal for the public art piece,which will be at the front of the center, will be put in place in late Feb. Then the statue will be sent from Chicago. The joint production of the Hunchback of Notre Dame will be unlike anything we have put on before at the center, and will be presented in April.
4. **Adjournment**:Nancy Stearns adjourned the meeting at 8:00.

Submitted by:

Linda Delapenha