

Del Rio Theater Committee

4-17-07

Attendees:

- Shawn Strohman
- Michael Bostic
- Joey Huestis
- Kyle Lingg
- Michael Lingg
- JD Hightower
- Margaret Silveira
- Tim Ogden
- Jonathon Cline
- Robin Bjerke
- Elder Terry Hopkins
- Naomi Hopkins
- Ric McGinnis
- Marilyn Zinner

Calendar & Follow-up Items:

- May 5 9am – 3pm: Tours of theaters (Newman, Merced, Denair, Modesto State). Meet at City Hall. We will also have a meeting during the tour regarding status updates.
- May 12 9am +: Clean up small banquet room. Joey will follow up with Margaret before May 12th, about what work could be done that day (painting, etc?).
- Shawn will make the suggestion box and draft the comment card for approval at the May 5th meeting.
- Ric is collecting comments, pictures, text for the www.delriotheater.org website
- (Post meeting suggestion – We may want to purchase www.delriotheatre.org too?!?)
- Margaret will make a contact with Chester Smith
- Begin looking for grant opportunities (state, federal, and private) to fund rehab of theater
- Margaret will see about getting more Hispanic representation on the committee to more fully represent the demographics of the city.
- Oklahoma will be presented Aug 10-12, and 17-19 at the DRT.

Other Notes:

- New expedited schedule for rehab.
- Moving forward on electrical and roofing assessments.
- Initiate the DRT “Capital Campaign” that would do fundraising.
- Incorporate ideas from the theater tour into the RFQ/RFP (Request for Qualifications and Request for Proposals).
- The RFQ/RFP process could take a few weeks to put together; advertise for 3 weeks; and expect design schematics within 3-4 months.
- Place suggestion box at Del Rio Restaurant.
- Use the schematics as story boards on DRT walls.
- Put up curtains on walls instead of painting as interim fix.
- Use a “home makeover” reality tv show approach to getting public involved and volunteering skills and time on the rehab.
- Have a Arts Festival Week or during the Oklahoma show – showcasing a “mini-presentation” of one act plays, choral, dance, ballet, art shows, concert, etc to show full range of arts opportunities.
- Have a “Western” theme during Oklahoma with BBQ competition, etc.
- Upgrade to IBC building codes instead of UBC due to the CA transition