Molokai Arts Center Board Meeting  
June 9, 2011 9:10 a.m.  
Coffees of Hawaii

Attending: Kim Markham, Dan Bennett, Betty West, April Torres, Emillia Noordhoek.

Emillia called meeting to order.

Kim made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Dan 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Em announced she has submitted a “Letter of Intent” for the Bill Healey grant which is for $25,000. for children’s programming, with half intended for educational salary. This needs to be change 50% of the $25,000 will be for children’s educational programs/classes and 50% will go towards the salary of an Executive Director. We will know in July if they extend an invitation to submit a full proposal.

Another grant from Atherton will be submitted by August 1st, 2011. No Atherton will not be submitted at this point. I’m writing for Cooke and Baldwin which are also under the Hawaii Community Foundation. I think that what Kim was talking about was that if we submitted the final report for that included the financials for the Atherton than we could potentially apply for that too, but that is not a sure thing at this point and we may have to wait until December for that one.

We can apply for the Hawaii peoples fund for capacity building or for an artist in residence or other project? but that if awarded, one of the benefits is that they will pay for travel and cover the cost of workshops that they hold for 2-3 people within the organization. Does not need to be board members HI People’s fund would pay for training for board of directors. This is due Sept. 1st, 2011.

Emillia suggests we become a member of Arts Alliance in North Carolina for development and capacity building. She suggests we become a member and get access to their resources such as current funding sources. The cost is $250.00. Dan suggested we table this discussion until everyone has looked at the site. http://www.artistcommunities.org/membership

Em made an appointment with the Executive Director at the Honolulu Arts Academy for June 24, 2011 and requested air fare from MAC to keep appointment. It was suggested she team up with another organization to share the cost.

Another funding source called Kick Starter which calls themselves “the largest funding platform for creative projects in the world” was discussed for consideration. Kickstarter.com.

Kim(?) shared information about Hui No’eau on Maui. The Hui No’eau Visual Arts Center is a non-profit organization. Emillia is working with the Hui on several potential partnerships including. There was some discussion about doing a joint fund raiser on Maui in order to have access to donors with a greater financial capacity. Both the programs director and ED have expressed that would like to partner with us on to share the costs, artist in residency program as well and negotiating with artists that may come to Molokai to teach at a workshop.
There was also discussion about a live auction versus a silent auction.

Dan gave a short construction report as we are not yet ready to pour cement. It has been decided to add four more skylights since the others are so effective.

Kim reports she met with the director of the USDA re: The High Energy Cost Grant and learned that it sometimes takes 2 years for a decision. She will try to re-submit our reservation, for solar grid tie in through Maui Electric.

Em has put Molokai Arts Center on the “Re-use Hawaii wish list. Re-use Hawai‘i is a non-profit organization dedicated to building material reuse and recycling. Their mission is to keep reusable building material out of the waste stream, and in use in the community. Which we would buy, not as a donation. We are looking for several donations of sinks, furniture, shelving material etc.

Dan moved we adjourn the meeting. Betty 2nd. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be July 14, 2011 at 9 a.m. #1: the meetings should take place at the same time and location to establish continuity.
#2: the board has already discussed( in the previous board meeting ) Annette’s involvement and due to her physical condition has decided not to ask her to be on the board as well as to limit her participation at this time.
#3: This was not discussed at the meeting so should not be included in the minutes. Annette Pauole-Ahakuelo has offered her office in Kaunakakai for the location of this meeting so that she may attend.