

MINUTES
WAR MEMORIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, May 13, 2004

The Board of Trustees of the War Memorial of San Francisco met in regular session at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2004, in the Trustees' Board Room, War Memorial Opera House, President Jarman presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: President Jarman, Vice President Bashford, Trustee Bechtle, Trustee Farrow, Trustee Haas, Trustee Horn, Trustee Shultz, Trustee Reynolds;

Absent: Trustee Balianz, Trustee Moscone.

Staff Present: Gregory P. Ridenour, Assistant Managing Director/Executive Secretary
Susan Anderson, Executive Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Jarman called for approval of the minutes of the April 8, 2004 regular meeting of the Board. On motion of Trustee Shultz, seconded by Trustee Horn, the minutes were unanimously approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Passing of Trustee Chrysanthy ("Soula") Leones: President Jarman reported, with sadness, the passing of Trustee Soula Leones on April 29, 2004. President Jarman stated that Soula was first appointed to the Board in 1989 by Mayor Agnos and again appointed in 1999 by Mayor Brown. He noted that Soula was a dedicated member of the Board, serving on numerous committees including the Building and Veterans Committees. President Jarman commented that Soula was devoted to the arts and cultural life in San Francisco and actively supported many community organizations including the San Francisco Opera and the San Francisco International Film Festival. President Jarman stated that Soula's kind spirit will be sincerely missed, and asked that today's meeting be adjourned in her memory.

San Francisco Ballet – Conclusion of 2004 Repertory Season: President Jarman reported that the San Francisco Ballet concluded its 2004 Repertory Season on Sunday, May 9, with the final performance of their very successful new production of *Sylvia*, choreographed by Mark Morris. On behalf of the Board, President Jarman extended congratulations to the Ballet on a superb season.

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Rental Requests: Mr. Ridenour reported that rental requests as mailed to Trustees are routine and requested their approval. On motion of Trustee Shultz, seconded by Trustee Farrow, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-17

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the War Memorial of San Francisco that the following rental requests are hereby approved:

HERBST THEATRE

Humanities West 2004-05 Season	October 15 & 16, 2004 February 11 & 12, 2005 May 13 & 14, 2005	\$3,600.00
Gay Asian Pacific Alliance Runway 2004, Miss GAPA & Gay Asian Pacific Man Pageant	July 10, 2004	\$600.00
Apollo in the City "We Bring It – You Judge It" Talent Competition	July 16, 23 % 31, 2004 August 7, 13, 20 & 28, 2004 September 11, 2004	\$8,400.00
Dog Door Music Productions San Francisco World Music Festival	September 26, 2004	\$600.00
San Francisco Opera Center Rehearsal & Performance of an Adler Fellows' Concert	December 7 & 8, 2004	\$1,200.00
Four Seasons 2004-2005 Season	November 21, 2004 February 4, 2005	\$1,200.00
Lamplighters Music Theatre Gala Concert	October 24, 2004	\$600.00
New College Law School Graduation Ceremony	May 22, 2005	\$600.00
Likha Pilipino Folk Ensemble Lakbay: Indak Awit	September 4 & 5, 2004	\$1,200.00
San Francisco Korean Master Chorale SFKMC Annual Concert	October 10, 2004	\$600.00
The San Francisco Foundation 2004 Community Leadership Awards	September 28, 2004	\$600.00

Additional Rental Requests: Mr. Ridenour reported that additional rental requests are routine and requested their approval. On motion of Trustee Farrow, seconded by Trustee Shultz, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-18

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the War Memorial of San Francisco that the following additional rental requests are hereby approved:

WAR MEMORIAL OPERA HOUSE

The Goldman Environmental Prize	April 18, 2005	\$5,425.00
16 th Annual Goldman Environmental Prize Ceremony		

LOUISE M. DAVIES SYMPHONY HALL

Manhattan Concert Productions	June 1, 2004	\$1,650.00 vs. 10%
Villa Sinfonia & Festival Chorus		\$3,850.00 max.

MIKI Corporation	August 17-27, 2004	\$37,000.00
Rehearsal and Five Presentations of Miki Overseas Study Tour 2004		

HERBST THEATRE

Tribe of Heart	July 30, 2004	\$600.00
Screening of Tribe of Heart		

Filipino American Arts Exposition	August 12, 2004	\$600.00
Pamana Arts Legacy Awards		

Youth Speaks	February 26, 2005	\$600.00
9 th Annual Teen Poetry Slam		

City Arts & Lectures 826 Valencia Street Series - 2004	September 13, 20 & 27, 2004	\$6,000.00
	October 4 & 18, 2004	
	November 8, 15, 17 & 30, 2004	
	December 6, 2004	

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Revenue, Appropriations and Status of Building Projects Reports for April 2004: Mr. Ridenour referred to the Revenue, Appropriations, and Status of Building Projects Reports for April 2004, and requested a resolution to approve April 2004 housekeeping expenditures as submitted. On motion of Trustee Farrow, seconded by Vice President Bashford, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-19

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the War Memorial of San Francisco that Purchase Order Nos. WM040402 through WM040431, Revenue Transfers JEAT742-749 and JEAT949, and Job Order Transfers 6391A and 0262J are hereby approved.

REGULAR ITEMS

Hearts of San Francisco – Display Request: President Jarman stated that Trustees have received a copy of the letter from the *Hearts of San Francisco* Project, requesting permission to place heart sculptures on War Memorial property in conjunction with the *Hearts of San Francisco* public “heart” exhibition from May to October 2004. Mr. Ridenour stated that the “Hearts” exhibition will include 130 heart sculptures in San Francisco parks, plazas and street corners from May to October 2004. He distributed pictures of heart sculptures currently installed at City Hall, the Asian Art Museum and San Francisco Public Library. Mr. Ridenour noted that while the letter from *Hearts of San Francisco* requests the placement of two heart sculptures on War Memorial grounds, he understands that the Project coordinators may be interested in installing additional sculptures in and around the War Memorial and Performing Arts Center.

Mrs. Ellen Newman, Co-Chair of the *Hearts of San Francisco* Project, addressed the Board and briefly outlined the purposes and the goals of the Project. She stated that 10-12 heart sculptures have already been installed, and that the Project has been enthusiastically embraced by the community and local media. She stated that the Project’s Steering Committee has hired Rita Barela Productions, Inc. to oversee the production and installation of the 130 heart sculptures, and noted that all production and installation costs are being underwritten by individual and corporate sponsorships. Mrs. Newman stated that while they do not yet have specific details with regard to the heart sculptures proposed for the War Memorial, she requested the Trustees’ support and participation in this City-wide exhibition by approving the placement of sculptures on War Memorial grounds for the six-month exhibition period.

Following discussion, and on motion of Trustee Farrow, seconded by Trustee Shultz, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-20

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the War Memorial of San Francisco that it hereby approves the request of the *Hearts of San Francisco* Project to place heart sculptures on the grounds of the War Memorial and Performing Arts Center during the *Hearts* exhibition from May to October 2004, subject to all installation locations and plans being approved by and coordinated with War Memorial staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Chee Yee, on behalf of Cathay Post #384 of the American Legion, requested a fee waiver for the use of Herbst Theatre by the Chinese Disabled People’s Performing Art Troupe on June 8, 2004. Mr. Yee stated that all Herbst Theatre rental fees have been paid by the Troupe, however, as the Troupe is being sponsored by the Cathay Post, he is requesting that the rental fee be waived and refunded. Mr. Wallace Levin, Veterans Affairs Commissioner and Commander of San Francisco Post 244 of the American Legion, commented that the American Legion War Memorial Commission considered and approved the

Cathay Post's request to submit a rental waiver request to the Board of Trustees, but apparently the Commission did not forward this request to the Trustees. President Jarman stated that in accordance with the Board's standard procedures, this matter would be calendared for the Board's consideration upon receipt of a request from the American Legion War Memorial Commission.

Mr. Wallace Levin invited the Trustees to the Memorial Day ceremony at the Presidio on May 31, 2004.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Jarman adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p.m. in memory of Trustee Soula Leones.

Gregory P. Ridenour
Executive Secretary