

MINUTES
WAR MEMORIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Thursday, January 12, 2006

The Board of Trustees of the War Memorial of San Francisco met in regular session at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2006, in the Trustees' Board Room, War Memorial Opera House, Vice President Horn presiding.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: President Bashford, Trustee Haas, Trustee Moscone, Trustee Tsakopoulos-Kounalakis.

Staff Present: Elizabeth Murray, Managing Director
Gregory Ridenour, Executive Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice President Horn called for approval of the minutes of the December 8, 2005 regular meeting of the Board. On motion of Trustee Shultz, seconded by Trustee Farrow, the minutes were unanimously approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

San Francisco Ballet Season: Vice President Horn congratulated the San Francisco Ballet on its recently concluded Nutcracker season in the Opera House. He reported that the San Francisco Ballet will open its 2006 Repertory Season on January 25, with a special performance and opening night festivities. On behalf of the Board, Vice President Horn extended congratulations and best wishes to the Ballet for a successful repertory season.

Committee Assignments for 2006: Vice President Horn reported that a list of Committee assignments for 2006 has been distributed to Trustees. He stated that Trustees are welcome to serve on different or additional committees, and Trustees should advise President Bashford if they would like to do so.

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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

RESOLUTION NO. 06-01

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

WAR MEMORIAL OPERA HOUSE

SF JAZZ Keith Jarrett, Solo Piano	March 19, 2006	\$2,000 vs. 10% \$4,000 maximum
Minnesota Public Radio & Prairie Home Prods. Rehearsal & Performance of "A Prairie Home Companion" with Garrison Keillor	January 12 & 13, 2007	\$3,850 vs. 10% \$5,850 maximum

HERBST THEATRE

National Theater of Arts & Education Alejandra Donides Dancers of America	March 3, 2006	\$475
Claire Lilienthal School 8 th Grade Graduation Ceremony	June 8, 2007	\$475
Steven King Steven King Solo Guitar Concert	March 11, 2006	\$1,050
Capitol Steps Evening of Political Humor	June 9, 2006	\$1,050
SFJAZZ Spring Season	March 25, 2006 April 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 28 & 30, 2006 May 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 & 14, 2006 June 10 & 11, 2006	\$9,475
San Francisco Chamber Orchestra Concert	March 9, 2007	\$600
Long Now Foundation Seminars about Long Term Thinking	January 13, 2006	\$600
World Arts West Rehearsal, eight performances for students, one family matinee	March 5 – 10, 2007	\$3,000
Richmond Ermet AIDS Foundation Help is on the Way for the Holidays	December 3, 2006	\$600
San Francisco Gu-Zheng Music Society An Evening with Lin Weishan	April 22, 2006	\$600

Rrazz Productions, Inc. Joan Rivers Live!	September 9, 2006	\$1,050
City Arts and Lectures David Remnick	May 17, 2006	\$600
Ballet with Miss Tilly Rehearsals and Dance Recitals	May 15 - 19, 2006	\$3,400
Samuel Merritt College Graduation Ceremony	May 26, 2006	\$475
SF Performances Philip Glass Lecture	February 18, 2006	\$475

Additional Rental Requests: Ms. Murray requested approval of additional rental requests as submitted. On motion of Trustee Farrow, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-02

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

HERBST THEATRE

Star Dance Studio Rehearsal and Recitals	June 15 – 17, 2006	\$1,800.00
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Arts Task Force Update: Ms. Murray reported on the City’s Arts Task Force, which was created by the Board of Supervisor and the Mayor in April 2005, and charged with discussing and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor on various elements of the City’s agencies, programs and policies concerning the arts in San Francisco.

Ms. Murray stated that to date, the Task Force has established three categories of recommendations: Revenue, Structure and Programs, and has created three informal sub-groups to discuss and draft recommendations for each category. She said that the Arts Task Force is scheduled to complete its report for submission to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors in February 2006.

Ms. Murray stated that she will continue to report to the Trustees on the findings, recommendations and report of the Arts Task Force.

SECRETARY’S REPORT

Revenue, Appropriations and Status of Building Projects Reports for December 2005: Mr. Ridenour referred to the Revenue, Appropriations, and Status of Building Projects Reports for December 2005, and requested a resolution to approve housekeeping expenditures as submitted. On motion of Trustee Farrow, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-03

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the War Memorial of San Francisco that Purchase Order Nos. DP06001-DP06038, PO06001-PO06002, and Interdepartmental Revenue Transfers for Zellerbach Rehearsal Hall Project #6602 are hereby approved.

REGULAR ITEMS

War Memorial Budget for FY 2005-06: Vice President Horn reported that City department budget requests for the next fiscal year must be submitted to the Controller's Office by mid-February 2006. He noted that in order to meet this deadline, the Board will have to consider and approve the War Memorial's budget request at the February meeting. Vice President Horn referred this matter to the Board's Budget and Finance Committee and requested the Committee to meet during the next month and provide recommendations to the full Board at the February meeting.

GOOD AND WELFARE

25th Anniversary of City Arts and Lectures: Trustee Schulz reported that City Arts & Lectures, under the leadership of Sydney Goldstein, is celebrating its 25th Anniversary of presenting lectures and educational programming at the Herbst Theatre. Trustee Schulz recommended that the Board adopt a resolution commending City Arts & Lectures, and congratulating Sydney Goldstein for her 25 years of dedicated and outstanding service and contributions to the San Francisco community. By unanimous consent of the Trustees present, Vice President Horn directed staff to prepare the appropriate resolution for presentation to Ms. Goldstein.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from American Legion War Memorial Commission: Vice President Horn acknowledged that Trustees have received a copy of the letter from Greg Corrales, Chair of the American Legion War Memorial Commission, reporting that the Commission voted to accept the renewal agreement with the Board of Trustees for the two-year period of January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2006, and thanking the Trustees and the War Memorial staff for their help in reaching this agreement.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vice President Horn adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Gregory P. Ridenour
Executive Secretary