

**IMODS  
MINUTES OF 04/22/2008**

**DIRECTORS MEETING**

President Miles convened the Directors meeting at 6:35 PM. All Directors save John Haben & William Schmidt were present. No new members present.

President Miles presented an idea for the street level gallery. George Michaelides from Inprint Gallery had prepared a draft of some artwork which could be installed in the windows of the vacant properties. A long discussion ensued which revolved around the "tension" between advertising IMODS and its members and artwork for artwork's sake. After discussion, it was moved by Bill Novello and seconded by Mary Bruninga that IMODS prepare art panels for the Desiree doors at a cost not to exceed \$500.00. This motion passed.

The Festival of Cultures will be held May 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. It was decided that IMODS would share a booth with the Chamber of Commerce and will prepare a handout for dissemination at the Festival.

As Howard Meyer was not present, there was no update on "Cruise Night". With respect to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, Scott Holtz moved that IMODS donate \$500.00 and participate in the event. This was seconded by Kathy Skobel. Motion passed in a voice vote.

There is an all-class Niles West High School Reunion which will take place on October 4, 2008 in honor of the school's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Buckingham's will play and this event is a fundraiser. Lastly, the Skokie Park District is planning for an "Antiques Road Show" type of program to be held later in the year.

Sonya Baysinger reported on the activities of the Arts and Entertainment Committee. The next show opens up in her Gallery on May 16<sup>th</sup> with Mike Baur who sculpts in steel.

The Salon d'Arte scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup> at Sweetie Pies was cancelled and will be rescheduled.

The next Skokie Art Forum meeting is scheduled for June 24<sup>h</sup> at the Skokie Public Library. Lastly, she reported on the 20<sup>th</sup> year Sculpture Park anniversary. The tree has been erected at Sculpture Park between Oakton and Main Street near the parking lot. The Skokie Legacy Award was discussed.

A question was posed as to how much money has been raised by the Village of Skokie fine arts fund which is funded by a tax imposed on building permits. President Miles indicated that he will inquire of Tom Thompson.

Mary Bruninga reported on the Skokie Music Theater Foundation's up-coming events. There will be more diversity in events to be held at the Theater.

Tom Thompson from the Village of Skokie was unavailable to be present. Is report, if

any, will be circulated by President Miles.

Scott Holtz reported on the web-site and noted that March was another record month for “hits”. 1,106 hits were registered with the Business Directory receiving the 2<sup>nd</sup> most hits. The Newsletter continues to be popular.

Treasurer Novello presented the Treasurer’s Report which was accepted by voice vote.

President Miles noted that the minutes of the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting had been circulated by email. Motion made by Kathy Skobel to approve which was seconded by Mary Bruninga. Motion to approve passed by voice vote.

Next meeting dated is changed from May 21st to May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M at Holiday Inn. Directors will meet at 6:00 PM and not 5:30 PM.

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:30 PM which was seconded. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard J. Witry, Secretary