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Notes on NMS Board Meeting November 13 2007

Present: Marge Elwell, Jean Shibuya, Eleanor Powell, Teresa Alderdyce, Diane Nelson, Dennis Elwell.

Minutes of the October meeting were read and approved on a motion by Jean, seconded by Eleanor.

Membership: Eleanor reported two new members but some returns so membership around 148.

Finance: Marge reported that the Credit Union bounced a check shortly after we made a large deposit. Eleanor proposed and Jean seconded a motion to move our accounts to the Bank of Hawaii and this was agreed unanimously.

Board membership: Jill Smith has promised to join the Board in January. We need someone to represent artists, and the school. Teresa proposed recruiting personally not by an ad.

Mark Twain: A meeting was held today to discuss production arrangements. Joe Demoruelle will do sound and lighting. Ticket sales for Hana Hou are going well, for Ocean View very slowly. Ka`u Concert Society is sponsoring the musicians.

Theater: We were asked to write a letter to the Weinberg Trustees asking for a meeting to discuss a lease. We are currently waiting for a reply. Hawaii County has promised about \$55,000 towards the cost of repair. Jean reported that the garbage left in the theater after it closed was not left by the last tenants. Marge promised to give the Power Point presentation to the Board at the January meeting.

Farmers' Market: It is the sixth anniversary in December, we will celebrate on Dec 15. Punaluu Boys will provide music and we will ask for donations for a prize draw. It is getting harder to accommodate all the vendors. October receipts were \$720. Eleanor said she gets 2 or 3 calls a week from possible new vendors.

Internet café: Customer support has improved, receipts are averaging about \$180/week. Our insurance may ban under-18s from January. Perhaps we will not renew our lease in 2008 as an increase in rent is expected. There was discussion of possible alternative sites. Marge had the windows and carpet cleaned.

Garden: Diane said we have the best weeding crew ever, with 10 people in the team. There has been poor attendance on Tour days, but Marge asked for time to do improved publicity. The pavilion is our next target but it is hard to find a source of funds. In the short term, we will get a tool shed. Diane proposed adding more tables, perhaps under a tree. There was also discussion of leaving the gates open more often.

Art Show: E Hawaii Culture Center offered a small room but Marge told them this is not acceptable.

History Commission: Marge reported that the bill forming the Historical Resource Commission passed.

15th anniversary of NMS: Next year NMS will celebrate 15 years of existence. Marge asked Board members to bring ideas for a celebration to the next meeting.

Next meeting will be on January 8 at 6pm.