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The Downtown Ventura Organization meeting began at 8:00 a.m. on January 9, 2007.

Members present: Dan Frederickson, Chris Bennett, Greg Smith, Clarey Rudd, Glenda Lewis, Mark Hartley, Jim Luttjohann, Seana Weaver, Ed Warren, Jerry Breiner, Christy Weir and Jason Collis.

Members absent: Keith Richardson, Jack Carter and Linda Peterson.

Also present: Sid White, Greg Carson, Jordan Laby, Jim Friedman, Mike Merewether, Ray Mulokas, Stephen Schafer, Barbara Evans, Irene Henry, Deborah Guthrie, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Gerhard Mayor and Lisa Koch

Greg made a motion to approve the minutes of December 19, 2006 with the correction that the minutes of 12-5-06 were approved. Christy seconded and motion passed.

Jordan Laby and also Deborah Guthrie of Main Street Architects gave the DVO board a presentation on the Cultural Arts Center. Group discussion.

Special Board Members meeting:

Greg said the finance committee is still working on the DVO extension of status on the 501C-3.

Jason gave a report on the applicants for new Director and the interviews will begin this week. All board members are welcome to be part of the interview process. Please contact Jason for further information. The target date to start the position was discussed and it all depends on when DVO will be in the position to receive the funds from the City.

Nomination committee report: The DVO board will vote on the nominations at the next meeting on January 23. Two board members need to be replaced ( Linda Peterson and Keith Richardson have stepped down). Officer changes presented to the board: the nomination committee suggested a change of positions between President (Clarey) and vice President (Jason) and the Board of Director officer positions that are open is that of secretary.

Jason will announce the time and date for the next By-laws meeting.

Lisa Koch from Franky's Place spoke to the board about an upcoming merchant meeting that she was putting together and her business requirements for her employee parking needs.