



CHESHIRE PERFORMING FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

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CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, November 17, 2009, 7:30 PM

**CPFA ARTSPLACE
1220 WATERBURY ROAD
CHESHIRE, CT 06410**

Committee Members Present: Nancy Burt, Nancy Bussmann, Ophelia Frazier, Roxie Gordon, Denise Lohr, Pat Pfurr, Jackie Townes

Committee Members Absent: Bob Averack, Donna Lodynsky, Hilary Rutberg

Others Present: Elizabeth Cressy (Friends of Artsplace), Kristy Chambrelli (Performing Arts Coordinator), Joan Pilarczyk (Artsplace Director).

1. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM: A quorum was present for this meeting.

2. CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

Committee member Townes called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. WELCOME AND REMARKS – Vice-chairperson Ms. Townes

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: No public communications to report.

5. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2009 MINUTES:

Corrections:

P.4 under 13.d line 3 should read “She also will be...”

Ms. Gordon made a motion to accept minutes from the October 20, 2009 meeting with correction. Seconded by Ms. Townes, the motion passed.





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6. PERFORMING ARTS COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Ms. Chambrelli

- a. Ms. Chambrelli reported that only the musical theatre class will not run in winter session. She has taken photographs of all current classes for publicity. Two classes are still running in the fall session until December.

7. TREASURER'S REPORT: Ms. Frazier

- a. Ms. Frazier thanked Ms. Rutberg for taking her place at the previous meeting and for helping her transition to the role of Treasurer. She noted 30% of the budget has been spent and thus is on schedule.

Ms. Burt made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Ms. Bussmann, the motion passed.

8. SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ms. Gordon

Secretary Gordon noted sending a condolence card to the Denney family.

9. ARTSPLACE REPORT: Ms. Pilarczyk

- a. **Fall Art Classes** – The fall session was successful with 205 students, approximately \$24,768.00 collected gross revenue, and salary expenses for 15 teachers about \$14,500.00
- b. **Winter Art Classes** – Enrollment has begun. Parks and Rec. expects residents to receive brochures before Thanksgiving. Classes begin week of January 16th.
- c. **Workshops** – Workshops are available for children in “Holiday Card-making and Gift-making” in early Dec. and for teens/adults in “Altered Couture” on Saturday, Nov. 28.
- d. **Greeting Card Outreach Program** – Volunteer Cheryl Fasulo is coordinating this program and will deliver 45 cards for Thanksgiving to the Senior Center.

10. FRIENDS of CPFA/Artsplace: Ms. Cressy

- a. Ms. Cressy reported that plans are currently being developed for a February event.

11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Cressy wanted to thank Mr. Angelo and Mr. Ceccolini for their prompt attention to the lighting of the new exterior sign at Artsplace.
- b. It was noted that the A.E.D. machine has been received and will be hung in the hall way at Artsplace near “Room One” door. Many thanks to the Fire department, the Public Works and the Town of Cheshire.





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12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Townes reported that the CPFA Awards Celebration invitation is ready and will be sent by email for the December 8th event. Ms. Townes requested a decorating committee be comprised of four members. Dinner menu is ordered from “Nino’s” and members are asked to provide appetizers, dessert and drinks. A “Yankee Swap” was recommended.
- b. Artsday will be held on March 14, 2010 from 1:00-4:00 at Cheshire Academy. Denise Lohr will begin looking for artists to take part in early January.
- c. Ms. Townes requested that blank cards for soldiers’ use in Iraq and Afghanistan be dropped off by Friday November 20th at Artsplace so that they can be delivered overseas before the holidays. The project will be renewed in the Spring. She also requested that unwrapped toys for New Haven school children be dropped off at Artsplace as well.

Motion made to open agenda for nomination of 2010 Cheshire Art Award recipient by Ms. Gordon, seconded by Ms. Bussmann.

Motion to nominate a recipient for the annual “Cheshire Art Award” given at Town Council Meeting made by Ms. Burt and Seconded by Ms. Lohr. Motion passed.

13. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion was made by Ms. Burt to adjourn and was seconded by Ms. Pfurr.
The meeting was adjourned by Ms. Townes at 8:30PM.*

Respectfully submitted:
Agnes Wnuk

