



CHESHIRE PERFORMING FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

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CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, May 8, 2018, 7:00 PM

Artsplace

1220 Waterbury Road

Cheshire, CT 06410

Committee Members Present: Monique D'Onofrio, Joyce Karklel, Donna Lodynsky, Katie Giampietro, Denise Lohr, Signian McGeary, Jill Veiga

Others Present: Joan Pilarczyk (Director, Artsplace)

Absent: Ophelia Frazier (CPFA member)
Patti Flynn-Harris (Representative, Cheshire Town Council)
Leslie Hutchison (CPFA member)
Donna Mark (President, Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc.)
Donna Myjak (CPFA member)
Youchung Torok (CPFA member)

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

2. CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chairwoman Lodynsky called meeting to order at 7:05 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. WELCOME REMARKS – Chairwoman Donna Lodynsky welcomed all members and Ms. Hannah Jung from *The Voice of Art Gallery* of Cheshire, which opened on January 12, 2018. Superior Rental helped create modular walls for exhibition purposes. The first show presented 30 local artists and had 200 visitors at the opening. The current show has paintings by Karen Israel and Bob Noreika and Ms. Jung. Ms. Jung described the upcoming workshops and Paint nights. There is an open art studio time for artists to come and paint weekly. She invited committee members to sign up for the newsletter, and to follow internet and Facebook pages.

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – There is a reception at 4:00 on May 9th at the Cheshire Public Library for Ms. Ramona Burkey, outgoing director.

5. APPROVAL of April 10, 2018 Minutes

- a. 12.g. should read “*the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm. This is a change of date from the originally scheduled May 15th meeting.*”

Ms. Veiga made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 10th Meeting. Ms. McGeary seconded the motion. Ms. Karklel abstained.





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6. TREASURER'S REPORT – Ms. McGeary

- a. Ms. McGeary reported that the budget is on target at 80%.

Ms. Lohr made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Ms. D'Onofrio seconded the motion. The motion passed.

7. SECRETARY'S REPORT – Ms. Donna Myjak

- a. No Report

8. LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT – Ms. Ramona Burkey

- a. No Report.

9. ARTSPLACE REPORT – Ms. Joan Pilarczyk

- a. There was an article about the "Set Shop" in the *Cheshire Herald*. Groups called to borrow costumes.
- b. There are currently 262 students in Spring classes and workshops. Two Summer Camps are full.
- c. A volunteer has worked hard to beautify Artsplace and the shed.
- d. The annual student and teacher art show will be held at the Cheshire Public Library from July 2nd to July 27th. The theme is "*It Doesn't Look like the Photo!*".
The drop off of artwork is on July 2nd from 11:30 to 12:30. Committee members will assist with collection of entrees. The Opening reception will be held on July 16th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Committee members will provide refreshments and assistance for the opening reception.

10. Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc. – Ms. Pilarczyk for Ms. Donna Mark

- a. Ms. Pilarczyk mentioned that the *Ion Bank* grant decision has been delayed.

11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Karklel reported that 460 parents and children attended the 30th annual Artsday. There was some discussion whether to continue having a theme for the event. It was decided to try a theme again for the 31st Artsday : "*Think Small*". Ms. Karklel thanked the committee members for all their help in making the event a success.
- b. Ms. Pilarczyk and Ms. Lodynsky attended the yearly CT Artsday, held at the Hartford Stage, from 8:00 am to 4:00. The day included talks and workshops led by art community professionals. Attendees enjoyed local and national musical and artists entertainment.
- c. "Socket to You Talent Show" has been cancelled due to lack of interest.





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12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. CPFA Organization Notebooks/new member initiation tabled for next meeting.
- b. Ms. McGeary mentioned traveling with a group from *Ball & Socket Arts* to *Mass MOCA* and hearing about the years it took to develop the now renowned museum and contemporary art center.
- c. Ms. McGeary mentioned that the Cheshire Suburban Garden Club will be selling flowers on the Green in town from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm, Saturday, May 12th.
- d. The next meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, June 19, 2018.

13. ADJOURNMENT

*Ms. Lohr made a motion to adjourn; Ms Giampietro seconded the Motion.
Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted by,

Agnes Wnuk

