



## CHESHIRE PERFORMING FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

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### CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

**Tuesday, December 04, 2018, 6:00 PM**

**Artsplace**

**1220 Waterbury Road**

**Cheshire, CT 06410**

**Committee Members Present:** Monique D'Onofrio, , Katie Giampietro, Donna Lodynsky, Denise Lohr, Signian McGeary, Donna Myjak, Youchung Torok, Jill Veiga

**Others Present:** Joan Pilarczyk (Director, Artsplace)  
Deb Rutter (Cheshire Public Library, Deputy Director)

**Absent:** Ophelia Frazier (CPFA member)  
Joyce Karklel (CPFA member)  
Patti Flynn-Harris (Representative, Cheshire Town Council)  
Beth Crowley (Cheshire Public Library, Director)  
Donna Mark (President, Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc.)  
Kristy Endriss (Prospective 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 6:05 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. WELCOME REMARKS** – Chairwoman Donna Lodynsky welcomed all members and Deb Rutter from the Cheshire Public Library.

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION** – No public communications.

**5. TREASURER'S REPORT – Ms. McGeary**

a. Ms. McGeary reported that the budget is on target at 43% for this fiscal year.

*Ms. McGeary, I make or submit the motion that art market funds of \$2000 be placed in the Gift Account under the Scholarship Line. Ms. Myjak seconded the motion and the motion passed. The surplus \$33.45 will be given to Friends of Artsplace.*

*Ms. Lohr made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Ms. Torok seconded the motion.*

**6. APPROVAL of November 14, 2018 Minutes**

*Ms. Veiga made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 14th meeting as written. Ms. Giampietro seconded the motion. The motion passed.*





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### 7. SECRETARY'S REPORT – Ms. Donna Myjak

- a. No report.

### 8. LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT – Ms. Deb Rutter, Library Director

- a. Ms. Rutter reported that the upper level renovations of the Cheshire Public Library are nearing completion will have an open house perhaps in February.
- b. The “Art in the Afternoon” events developed by Ms. Rutter and Ms. Pilarczyk will take place on March 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> in the newly renovated library area.
- c. Ms. Rutter noted that the Library “Book Sale” on November 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> was the second best success thus far.

### 9. ARTSPLACE REPORT – Ms. Joan Pilarczyk

- a. Ms. Pilarczyk thanked all the members for the assistance at the 2018 Art Market, which was very well attended and well received. She also thanked Ms. Kim Wantroba for the decorations she provided to the Art Market.
- b. Winter classes are starting on January 11th.
- c. Artsday will again be held at the Cheshire Academy on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.
- d. The Pajama Program is held until December 10<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks go to *Cheshire Wine & Spirits* for donating a sleigh that was used to hold all the donated items and to Ms. Marian Gansley for decorating it. Ms. Lohr volunteered to take the food items and any monies donated for the *Cheshire Food Pantry* to the facility.
- e. Ms. Pilarczyk is looking for a new staff member for 15 to 19 daytime hours.
- f. Artsplace will take part in the Cheshire Sled Derby, organized by the Kiwanis Club, to be held on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Participants will be able to work on their art sleds at Artsplace on January 20<sup>th</sup> and February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### 10. FRIENDS OF CPFA/ARTSPLACE, INC. – Ms. Pilarczyk for Ms. Donna Mark

- a. The calendar project with images by Artsplace teachers will be available at stores around town, including The Red Door, Barbara's Gallery, Elegant Touch, The Red Owl, R.W. Hine, The Cheshire Nursery. The cover image is by the artist/teacher June Webster. The cost is \$15.00
- b. Ms. Mark is working on getting a grant to reprint the Kensett activity book for distribution at Cheshire Public School 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Curriculum and for St. Bridget's School.





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### 11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Lodynsky asked that members discuss and make a decision on the verbiage to be provided to the Cheshire Public High School for the annual Scholarship book. The essay question will be “How is art meaningful in your life” in 100 words or more. Academic standing, interest and achievement in the arts and extracurricular and volunteer experiences will be taken into consideration.

*Ms. Giampietro made a motion to create two \$1000 scholarships to be available for prospective senior students, which will be given to the recipients at the June 2019 CPFA Meeting.*

### 12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Lohr presented the nominations for the new year of committee officers: Ms. Lodynsky for President; Ms. D’Onofrio, for Vice-president; Ms. Myjak, for Secretary; Ms. McGeary, for Treasurer. Voting will take place in January.
- b. Ms. Lodynsky negotiated the dates for the 2019 year cycle. Meetings will take place at 7:00, except the December 2019 meeting, to be held at 6:00.

January 15, 2019	May 21, 2019	October 15, 2019
February 12, 2019	June 18, 2019	November 19, 2019
March 5, 2019	July 16, 2019	December 10, 2019
April 16, 2019	September 17, 2019	January 21, 2020

- c. The next meeting will be held at Artsplace, at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, January 15, 2019.

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

*All members made a motion to adjourn.*

*Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:59 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted by,

Agnes Wnuk

