



CHESHIRE PERFORMING FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

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CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, March 5, 2019, 7:00 PM

Artsplace

1220 Waterbury Road

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Committee Members Present: Monique D’Onofrio, Kristy Endriss, Ophelia Frazier, Joyce Karklel, Donna Lodynsky, Signian McGeary, Donna Myjak, Youchung Torok, Jill Veiga

Others Present: Joan Pilarczyk (Director, Artsplace)
Deb Ruttery (Cheshire Public Library, Deputy Director)
Donna Mark (President, Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc.)

Absent: Patti Flynn-Harris (Representative, Cheshire Town Council)
Denise Lohr (CPFA member)
Katie Giampietro (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 7:06 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. WELCOME REMARKS** – Chairwoman Donna Lodynsky welcomed all members and Deb Rutter and Donna Mark.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION** – No public communications.
- 6. APPROVAL of February 19, 2019 Minutes**
 - a. Ms. Donna Myjak was not present at the February Meeting.
 - b. The date at the header should read 2019 not 2018.
 - c. Welcome remarks should include a welcome to the newest member Ms. Kristy Endriss.
 - d. 9 f should not include the word “gacapella.”
 - e. Public Communications should read “apprised not appraised”.

*Ms. Torok made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 15th meeting as updated.
Ms. Karklel seconded the motion, Ms. Myjak abstained. The motion passed.*





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6. TREASURER'S REPORT – Ms. McGeary

- a. Ms. McGeary reported that the budget continues on target at 64% for this fiscal year. Ms. Lodynsky noted that she withdrew \$200 from the Escrow account for ARTSDAY.

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

7. SECRETARY'S REPORT – Ms. Myjak

- a. Thank you card from Shonya Harrison from "No Animal Left Unfed, Inc" for the donation of pajamas and books for children.
- b. Jim Thomas from the Cheshire Community Food Pantry sent a thank you card for the donation made to the organization.
- c. The Middletown DCF Foster Adoption Services sent a thank you card for the donation.
- d. A card with photographs of Nora Giampietro was received.

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

- a. Ms. Rutter asked for assistance in hanging the 18 x 18 poured paintings to be used to decorate the library. Ms. Endriss and Ms. Frazier will assist.
- b. Ms. Rutter mentioned that the Cheshire Art League will have a "Drop in Art" day at the Library.

9. ARTSPLACE REPORT – Ms. Joan Pilarczyk

- a. Spring classes have 90 students currently enrolled. The spring Schedule is available and registrations are currently being taken.
- b. Ms. Pilarczyk mentioned the possibility of filming a video of the Art Heals Program by a Record Journal intern.
- c. "Art in the Afternoon" a free event will take place at the Cheshire Public Library, on March 16th, with four Artsplace teachers, Linda Marino, Bob Noreika, Robin McCahill and Rita Paradis.
- d. The Kensett Birthday Celebration will take place March 22 from 3:00 to 5:00 at the Cheshire Public Library, dessert and activities will be available for participants, including a doll making event and costumes to wear in front of Kensett Paintings, and the Kensett Video will be shown.
- e. The Arts and Culture Collaborative meeting will take place at the Seven Angels March 21st, from 5:30 to 7:30.

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

- a. Ms. Mark mentioned that the Kensett book has been sent to the printers.





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11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Karklel updated members on the status of the ARTSDAY event. Members saw the booklet of events and artists taking part. Members updated their roles for the day. Ms. McGeary told members of her donation of 200 magnifying lenses, and a project that she and Ms. D'Onofrio are creating for the day including miniature panoramas. Ms. McGeary will secure several microscopes for the event as well,
- b. Scholarship Committee will received the applications on March 22nd. The winners of the scholarships will receive the prizes at the June 18th committee meeting, on June 18th at 7:00..
- c. Ms. McGeary reported on the Ball and Socket Arts "Fire and Ice" Event on February 23rd, which included the film "Princess Bride" and hot chocolate and an ice sculptor from 4:30 to 7:30.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Pilarczyk mentioned the Arts Day that was held last year in Hartford would take place on Monday, April 8th from 10:00 to 1:00.
- b. The Annual St. Patrick's Day "Pancakes and Politics" with Chris Murphy was announced as taking place at the Waverly Inn in Cheshire on March 11th from 7:30 to 9:00 am.
- c. The next meeting will be held at Artsplace, at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, April 16, 2019.

13. ADJOURNMENT

*Ms. Karklel made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. D'Onofrio.
Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted by,

Agnes Wnuk

