



CHESHIRE PERFORMING FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

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CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 7:30 PM

Artsplace

1220 Waterbury Road

Cheshire, CT 06410

Committee Members Present: Nancy Burt, Nancy Bussmann, Ophelia Frazier, Donna Lodynsky, Denise Lohr, Cheryl Pinkham, Joyce Karklel, Jackie Townes

Others Present: Donna Mark, Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc. President
Hilary Rutberg (Friends)
Sandy Petela (Deputy Director of Cheshire Parks & Recreation)
Joan Pilarczyk (Artsplace Director)

Absent: Donna Myjak (Board member)
Maricele Reiman (Board 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 7:35 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. WELCOME REMARKS - Donna Lodynsky, Chairperson

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – There were no public communications.

5. APPROVAL of Minutes

Ms. Frazier made motion to accept March 19, 2013 minutes, seconded by Ms. Pinkham, motion passed.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT – Ophelia Frazier

- a. Ms. Frazier presented the year-to-date budget report to all committee members with 75.1% of budget spent. Mileage and secretarial services are behind. Ms. Frazier reported that the current balance of the *CPFA Gift Account* is \$8,949.96.
- b. Discussion on amphitheatre money and the use of land near Bartlem Park.
- c. Discussion of purchase of Eastern Redbud or other tree, plaque and bench in memory of Gene Caraballo from the Artsplace Facility, using funds from the gift account:

Motion was made by Ms. Karklel not to exceed \$400 from the CPFA Gift Account for this





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memorial project. Seconded by Ms. Burt. The motion passed.

- d. A discussion followed to look at the lighting for the sign in front of Artsplace, prices will be checked to see if feasible to have electrical or solar lights for nighttime.
- e. Ms. Frazier reported on the escrow account of CPFA/Friends as \$3,493.80. Discussion ensued about using some funds to purchase a Kensett related sign to be hung on the front edifice of Artsplace building with a hanging mechanism.

Ms. Townes made a motion not to exceed \$500.00. Motion seconded by Joyce Karklel. Motion passed.

Ms. Lohr made motion to accept treasurer's report, seconded by Ms. Pinkham, motion passed.

7. SECRETARY'S REPORT – Donna Myjak

- a. A thank you letter from the “Will Santa Find me Foundation” was read to the committee.

8. THEATRE CLASSES – Sandy Petela

- a. The CYT Seussical the Musical will be held this summer. There are currently 35 students enrolled. The deadline to enroll has been extended.
- b. There have been no applications for the Theatre intern program as of yet.

10. ARTSPLACE REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk

- a. The new year Fine Arts budget of \$169,668.00 has been approved.
- b. Artsplace was transferred from Cheshire Parks and Recreation to the Cheshire Public Library.
- c. There have been technology updates including, computer upgrades, new phone lines and new locks.
- d. Spring Classes include 210 enrolled students and 20 workshops.
- e. Ms. Pilarczyk announced the Kensett Project Launch to be held on Sunday, May 19, 2013 at 6:45PM at Artsplace. The PowerPoint presentation of Kensett's life will be the highlight, with the distribution of books and finger food to celebrate.
- f. Ms. Pilarczyk asked committee members to come help segregate books for the different schools that will be receiving them. Also, invitations need to be sent out.
- g. Mr. Gagliardi would like to use the Kensett image on a banner for Kensett Corner on Rt.10.
- h. Ms. Pilarczyk mentioned that the Artsplace teachers have been asked to provide an art work that would be made into a giclee prints that will be hung upstairs in Artsplace. This project will cost about \$1000.00.

11. Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc.





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- a. Friends are currently actively seeking an author for the Fall program.

12. OLD BUSINESS –

a. CPFA Scholarship

The CPFA scholarship will not be presented this year as none of the four applicants qualified.

b. Election of Officers Slate

Chairperson – Ms. Donna Lodynsky

Vice-Chair – Jackie Townes

Corresponding Secretary – Donna Myjak

Treasurer – Ophelia Frazier

*Motion was made to close nominations by Ms. Pinkham. Ms. Lohr seconded, the motion passed.
Motion was made to accept the proposed slate by Ms. Burt. Ms. Karklel seconded, the motion passed.*

13. NEW BUSINESS

a. Annual Arts Award

The Annual Arts Award was tabled.

b. Dog Park Meeting – Sunday, June 15, 2013

An Open House will be held on the Artsplace parking lot.

- c. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at Artsplace at 7:30PM.

14. ADJOURNMENT

*Ms. Karklel made a motion to adjourn; Ms. Lohr seconded the Motion.
Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:20 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted by
Ms. Bussmann and Ms. Wnuk

