



## CHESHIRE PERFORMING FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

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### CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

**Tuesday, October 15, 2013, 7:30 PM**

**Artsplace**

**1220 Waterbury Road**

**Cheshire, CT 06410**

**Committee Members Present:** Nancy Bussmann, Courtney Cullinan, Joyce Karklel,  
Heather Kiesling, Donna Lodynsky, Donna Myjak,  
Maricele Riemann, Jackie Townes

**Others Present:** Donna Mark (President, Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc.)  
Madelyn Novick  
Joan Pilarczyk (Director, Artsplace)

**Absent:** Ramona Burkey (Director, Cheshire Public Library)  
Patti Flynn-Harris (Representative, Cheshire Town Council)  
Ophelia Frazier  
Denise Lohr  
Sandy Petela (Deputy Director, Cheshire Parks & Recreation)

**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 7:48 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. WELCOME REMARKS** - Donna Lodynsky, Chairperson.

Ms. Lodynsky welcomed Ms. Madelyn Novick as a potential new member. Ms. Lodynsky welcomed Ms. Karklel as a full member.

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION** – No Public Communications.

**5. APPROVAL of September 17, 2013 Minutes**

Amendments to September Minutes are as follows:

- a. 9a) should read: “No one seconded the motion and the motion failed”.
- b. 9b) should read: “Motion was made by Ms. Frazier to put \$627.<sup>00</sup> of concession money...”.
- c. 11a) should read: “The annual Author Night will be held at the Parks and Recreation...”.
- d. 13c) There should be one subnote c, not two.
- e. 13d) should read: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at Artsplace at 7:30PM”.

*Ms. Bussmann made motion to accept September minutes, Ms. Myjak seconded, motion passed.*





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### **6. TREASURER'S REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk spoke for Ophelia Frazier**

- a. Ms. Pilarczyk noted that the FY 2013 budget is on track with 24% of the budget spent.

*A motion was made by Ms. Karklel to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Ms. Townes. The Motion Passed.*

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

- a. Thank you card was received by the committee from Ms. Nancy Burt.
- b. Ms. Myjak mentioned a letter received from the Cheshire Food Bank asking for a donation as in past years.

### **8. THEATRE CLASSES – No Report**

### **9. THEATRE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT – No Report**

### **10. ARTSPLACE REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk**

- a. Ms Pilarczyk reported that there are 222 students taking classes for the Fall 2013 Semester. That is up from the 160 that enrolled in Fall 2012.
- b. Ms. Pilarczyk reported that there are better security measures put in place at Artsplace.
- c. The Giving Tree will be organized again this year during the November 19<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting. Donations of art supplies will be collected at Artsplace for Cheshire children and distributed by Cheshire Social Services.
- d. The 2013 CROBOT will be held on November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Cheshire Public Library and guest author will be Laura Harrington, who will speak about her book "Alice Bliss". Registrations are required via the Cheshire Public Library to attend this free event.
- e. Artist and Artsplace instructor Tony Ruggiero will have his artwork displayed at the Cheshire Public Library in the month of October.
- f. Artsplace will once again be asking for donations of new books and pajamas for the Pajama Program, for ages newborn to twelve years old.
- g. Board members Joyce Karklel, Heather Kiesling and Maricele Riemann will work together on organizing Artsday 2014, and will seek advice from previous event chairpersons as needed.

### **11. Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc. – Donna Mark**

- a. Ms. Mark thanked members for helping in setting up for the annual Author Night held at the Parks and Recreation Center at 6:00 on Wednesday October 2, 2013. Author Carol Wallace was guest speaker. She spoke about two of her books, "To Marry and English Lord" and "Leaving Van Gogh".





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- b. Ms. Mark introduced Ms. Hilary Rutberg as the new Membership Chairperson for Friends of CPFA Artsplace. Committee members were asked to fill out the membership applications so that “Friends” are aware of the identity of CPFA Board members for their records.

### 12. OLD BUSINESS – None.

### 13. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Townes reported that she and a sub-committee of members will be working on the bylaws in the next month.
- b. Ms. Townes noted that a free Halloween concert will be held on October 26, 2013 at the Trinity Church on the Green in New Haven that is for children and adults. All were invited.
- c. A reminder, Artsplace will be closed on Tuesday, November 5, 2013 for Election Day.
- d. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at Artsplace at 7:30PM.

### 14. ADJOURNMENT

*Ms. Riemann made a motion to adjourn; Ms. Bussmann seconded the Motion.  
Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted by

Agnes Wnuk

