CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, November 16, 2010, 7:30 PM
Artsplace
1220 Waterbury Road
Cheshire, CT 06410

Committee Members Present: Nancy Bussmann, Marta Farb, Ophelia Frazier
Roxsolana Gordon, Donna Lodynsky, Denise Lohr, Donna Myjak, Jackie Townes
Committee Members Absent: Nancy Burt
Others Present: Sandy Petela (Deputy Director of Cheshire Parks & Recreation),
Joan Pilarczyk (Artsplace Director), Doug Levens (CPFA committee guest)

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

2. CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG
Chairwoman Lodynsky called the meeting to order at 7:40PM with a Pledge of Allegiance.

3. WELCOME AND REMARKS – Donna Lodynsky, chair

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – A request was received to take part in “Pajama Program” (pajamaprogram.org) as last year to collect books and pajamas. It was decided to provide a cardboard box at Artsplace for collection of books and pajamas.

5. APPROVAL OF October 19, 2010 MINUTES
a. Date of next meeting should read November 16, 2010
b. Under Artsplace Report g.) should read Fine Arts Annual Town Report

   Ms. Bussmann made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 19, 2010 meeting,
   seconded by Ms. Lohr. Motion passed unanimously.

6. TREASURER’S REPORT – Ophelia Frazier
a. Ms. Frazier stated that the 2011 Budget is on target.

   Ms. Myjak made a motion to accept the treasurers report, seconded by Ms. Gordon. Motion passed unanimously.

7. SECRETARY’S REPORT – Ms. Lodynsky for Nancy Burt
a. Condolence cards were sent to Jane French and Tony Ruggiero.
b. Thank you cards were received from Nancy Burt and Mrs. Conrad.
8. THEATRE CLASS – Ms. Petela for Kristy Chambrelli
   a. Nov. 29th is last class of “Acting for TV/Film” at Highland School, while “Musical Theatre Scene Study” is ending on Nov.30th, and “Disney Musical Workshop” is ending on Dec. 2 at Artsplace.
   b. Nov. 1st was the deadline for replying to job postings for positions in 2011 Summer play.

9. THEATRE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT – Ms. Townes for Nancy Burt
   a. The 2011 season play recommendations were not procurable. The Theatre subcommittee will meet to determine new recommendations for the 2011 season play.

10. ARTSPLACE REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk
   a. Fall classes – 13 teachers, 200 students deposit of almost $22,000, larger because of yearly registration fee, Payroll equaled $13,000. Year to date deposit is $1800 less than last year at same period.
   b. Winter 2011 Classes – A new one page flyer has been created for mailing to in town students. Assistance may be needed for stuffing envelopes to out of town students. Registration begins November 29, 2010.
   c. Snow Queen Performance – Robin McCahill will present a puppet show at Artsplace from 2:00-3:00 on Saturday December 4, 2010. Press to local towns will be needed. Committee members signed up to assist with set up and refreshments.
   d. It was proposed that a May or July Art Show at the Town Hall in lieu of an Artsplace Clothesline Art Show. Students of all ages would display their work.
   e. Art Challenge 2011 – Ms. Gordon and Ms. Frazier will chair the challenge. Kick off will be in March, possibly at Artsplace.
   f. Artie Award – Ms. Pilarczyk requested that members consider a 2010 recipient for the yearly award.
   g. Kensett Grant Proposal – Ms. Pilarczyk has heard nothing from the committee yet.
   h. Outdoor Sculpture Display – Proposal will be made to install a large Mark Leary outdoor sculpture on the lawn beside Artsplace.

11. FRIENDS OF CPFA/Artsplace – Joan Pilarczyk for Beth Cressy
    a. Friends will sponsor part of the Snow Queen performance.

11. OLD BUSINESS
    a. Ms. Farb proposed creating a Volunteer Program Binder that would hold information on past projects, a “wish list” of what is needed. Information would include long term and short term projects and one-time events.
    b. CPR/AED Classes – Are being planned for January. Names of members interested were
taken to schedule a class.

12. NEW BUSINESS
b. Arts Day 2011 – Sunday March 13, 2011, 1:00-4:00 PM at Cheshire Academy – Ms. Lohr and Mr. Levens will chair the event.

13. ADJOURNMENT
Ms. Gordon made a motion to adjourn; Motion was seconded by Ms. Bussmann. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Agnes Wnuk