

NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION
The Regular Commission Meeting
March 8, 2017; 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Roll Call:

Joanne Bandoni	Jennifer Helner	Sue Taylor
Ellen Bennett, exc.	Linda Liedel	
Lesa Buckland, exc.	Elizabeth Oliver	

Others & Guest Introductions

Staff: Abigail Wright-Geddes, Director; Erin Maten, Education

Guests:

Call to order: 7:05 p.m.; Establish quorum

Approval of Minutes: For February 8, 2017 minutes. First - Joanne B; 2nd - Sue Taylor.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Officer Reports

Chairperson

First Friday - Attendance at First Friday exhibits is continuing to decrease. Thirty people attended on March 3, 2017. Previously attendance numbered in the 120 - 200 range.

Vice Chairperson -- Volunteer Update - Our present letter to recruit volunteers has not been effective. It will be updated. Plan is to encourage parents with children in our classes to volunteer at the Art House as well. Volunteer document will be a separate letter from the membership letter.

Financials -

As of 2.28.2017, current revenue is \$53,656.36, of which \$45,840.50 is from classes and programs. Assuming the same trend for the next four months of the fiscal year, it is anticipated that revenue will be approx. \$80,475. Revenue from Art in the Sun traditionally brings in approx. \$40,000 for a total expected revenue of approx. \$120,000. Expected wages and expenses are projected at \$109,000. Therefore, expected revenue should slightly exceed expected expenses by year end (6.30.17) if current trends continue.

Committee Reports

Exhibits (next meeting March 16, 7:00 p.m.) Discussion of including exhibit committee members in the call for volunteers letter.

Other Business:

Administrative Report - plumbing repair in basement by Long's Plumbing.

Fundraising Projects - Future planning for the DDA and the AH to sponsor a film festival for possibly February 2018. Also a possible children's film festival in which our students would be involved in making the videos/films. Staff to pursue a collaboration with the DDA.

Another dine and donate at Granite City on March 22, 2017 at anytime that day. 10% of dining bill will go to the Art House.

Spring Fling at Novi Meadows Elementary school on April 28th from 6 - 8 p.m.; Liz O. will represent the Art House.

Ryan K; is working to set up a system to allow on-line purchase of art work from the Art House.

Music weekend at the DSO in Detroit on June 10, 2017. from 8 am - 5 pm. More on this later.

Liz Oliver and Abbey will represent the Art House at the Business Showcase on March 18 from 11 - 2 at Northville High School.

Program Update - Art House summer camp is planned for 2017. It will be a morning camp and run for nine weeks starting June 20, 2017.

Young Artists Juried Art Fair - The Art House has set up three days for students to bring in 5-7 samples of their original work to the Art House. Students will meet to discuss and show their work with our instructors for a one on one opportunity for positive feedback. Selected artists will be notified by email.

Register for one time only.

Session 1 - 4/11; 5-7 pm; session 2 - 4/22; 11-1 pm; session 3 - 4/23; 2- 4pm.

Open to Northville and surrounding school districts. Grades 3rd - 10th.

Selected artists will be able to sell their original art work under tents in the Northville Garden (behind the Northville Public Library) on **Saturday June 17th from 12-5 pm during the Arts and Acts Festival - June 16th, 17th & 18th.**

We encourage all our residents and Art House fans to become a **Young Artist Sponsor.** Sponsor a **Young Artists Table** for \$25.00 for the Arts & Acts Festival.

501C3 Board Update - membership roster will be set up on new program enabling improved tracking of membership data.

Adjournment: 8:25 p.m.

Announcements

*Volunteer Needs:

April First Friday, April 7, 2017: Kate Paul Retrospective - The NAST Financial Group is sponsor of this exhibit.

Food/Drink: Abby will obtain the food for April 7th.

5:30-7:30 (Set up): Liz O; Linda L; Amanda B;

7:30-9:30 (Clean up & **Lock up**):

***Next NAC Meeting: April 12, 2017, 7:00 p.m.**

Minutes approved April 12, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth S. Oliver