VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK ARTS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, March 12, 2014 – 7:00P.M.

The Regatta Conference Room

1. <u>Meeting called to order</u>. The meeting of the Arts Council was called to order by Chairwoman Solange De Santis at 7:12 PM

The following members were present:

Solange De Santis; Chari Allison; Jane Dorian;; Joycemarie Washburn;

Barbara Weiss; and Trustee Ilyssa Miller Absent: Robin Campbell; Lee Stringer

Guest: Mary Louise Cox

<u>Approval of minutes</u>: Chari makes a motion to approve the February Minutes and Joycemarie seconds. All in favor.

2. Old business:

- a. Poetry Live! Solange reports on budget for Poetry Live! Jane and Solange discuss refreshments such as cookies on trays. Jane reports that Diane Sarna will be the emcee and Jane will contact Phyllis Gutterman about signs and invitation from last year. Ilyssa suggests names of Village officials and others to invite to event.
- b. Arts Exhibit: Barbara and Joycemaire report on the budget approval process and will communicate with Richard Slinglerland. The end of April slated for a call for entries and a high school curatorial internship. Decisions on entries set for the end of June. Kenise Barnes is on board and PR and advertising will be launched.
- c. Word of Mouth: Chari reports that she is relinquishing her role as producer of the series. Consensus was that the project should be on hold and revisited in the fall.
- d. Summer Nights on the Sound: April deadline set for lining up music acts.
- e. Facebook: Chari suggests that we have a way for people to upload photos onto our Facebook page to engage the community in the creative process. Photos would have to go through Solange as she is the designated "Admin" of the page.
- f. Food of Southern Westchester Event: Ilyssa reports that the event will take place the weekend of 9.20-9/23. She suggests that we have a table during the fair promoting the Council and its events.

3. New business:

a. Poem in Your Pocket Day: Mary Louise gives members a flyer about celebrating Poem in Your Pocket Day on April 24.

- b. Westchester Poetry Fund: Mary Louise discusses the finances and purpose of the Fund.
- c. Poetry Book: Mary Louise shows members a poetry and photography book of hers as a possibility for launching a themed poetry book by local poets with photography of local scenes. The book could be called "Life and Times in the Village of Mamaroneck" to possibly include both visual and poetic impressions of life in the Village. Members discuss and Solange will get more information about costs.

Adjournment: 8:30 pm