

Newtown Cultural Arts Commission
Tuesday, February 24, 2015
Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Laura Lerman, Andrea Spencer, Donna Monteleone Randle, Jennifer Ceby, Jennifer Rogers, Donna Mangiafico, Robert Kaiser

Members Absent: Robert Rabinowitz

Guests: Lynn Alexander, Kurt Eckhardt

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM, in the Town Hall South Conference Room.

Chairperson, Laura Lerman called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

The Minutes of February 4, 2015 were approved with the following amendment. Add to minutes – Jennifer Rogers asked for confirmation that the NCAC would be interested in continuing talks for additional classic films shown at the Edmond Town Hall in cooperation with the Board of Managers. Jennifer Rogers offered to discuss this with the Board of Managers.

Officer Reports

Laura Lerman will be meeting with Pat Llodra regarding the NCAC and the Community Center. Andrea Spencer will meet with Roseanne at Parks and Recreation to discuss arts programs.

Treasurer Report

Donna Mangiafico provided an update of NCAC accounts.

2015 Arts Festival Update

There will be an Arts Festival meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, 7:00 PM, in Meeting Room 1, Newtown Municipal Center.

Grants

Donna Mangiafico shared a list of grants and sponsorship requests that Valerie Culbertson submitted.

Programming

Andrea Spencer will meet with Parks and Rec. in the coming weeks.

Library Display Case

The Japanese Art display is ending and the weavers will begin next week.

Destination Newtown Booth

Laura will contact the Chamber to discuss exchanging booths again this year. The NCAC approved the \$85 membership fee.

Warehouse and Equipment Loans – Location of Art

Rob Kaiser has a key. He will ask if the NCAC can obtain a second key. Donna Mangiafico suggested that a group get together to organize the art and supplies in the warehouse.

NCAC Scholarship & Grants Update

Donna Monteleone Randle met with Kitty at the High School about the scholarships. April 22nd is the deadline. Kitty will receive applications at High School. High School students that attend private or home schools will mail the application to the NCAC box. She is meeting with Michele Hiscavich to ask for help spreading the word.

Contacting NCAC

Donna Monteleone Randle shared information about recent concerns about our contact information. She would like to revise our contact information on the town website. Laura Lerman will ask what information must be posted and what can be added or eliminated.

Website

Rob Kaiser stated that there has been difficulty contacting the individual that can add a re-direct from the HealingNewtown website. Rob Kaiser & Robert Rabinowitz will modify the website to the extent possible to let visitors know that they should go to the NCAC website for information about upcoming programs. Rob Kaiser is also in the process of ordering a template to enhance the NCAC website.

Newsletter

Jennifer Rogers announced that the latest Newsletter went out.

Public Participation

Lynn Alexander spoke about the Little Theater. They are looking into signage rules in the hopes that they can direct people to the Theater.

Donna Monteleone Randle introduced Kurt Eckhardt. He discussed Samuel Hazo returning to Newtown to offer master classes to students in March. The NCAC offered to help with the promotion of High School fundraising campaigns necessary to pay for this.

Other Business

Jen Rogers would like to discuss with Michelle Hiscavich, at meeting on Monday, the Tennessee Children's Dance Ensemble to determine the best time for them to come.

The next meeting of the NCAC will be Tuesday, March 24, 2015, 7:00 PM, Town Hall South Meeting Room.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Mangiafico