

Newtown Cultural Arts Commission

April 28, 2015

Meeting Minutes

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Tuesday April 28, 2015, at Town Hall South.

Members Present: Robert Rabinowitz, Donna Mangiafico, Laura Lerman, Jen Rodgers, Robert Kaiser, Donna Randle, Andrea Spencer

Members Absent: Jen Rodgers

Auxiliary Members: Terry Sagedy, Maureen Trotto, Lindsay Kelkres,

Guests: Terry Polvay, Lisa Schwartz, Timothy Huebenthal, Veronica Parsloe

Laura Lerman called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

- Minutes: Minutes of March 24, 2014, NCAC meeting, approved unanimously
- Officers Report:
 - Laura Lerman (Chair):
 - Completed the report on the NEA grant
- Treasurer's Report (Donna Mangiafico)
 - Status of accounts
 - Payment of bills
 - Investing:
 - Spoke to Bob Tait regarding investing of funds into 2 year CDs. The investment is completed.
- Grants:
 - Deadlines have been extended by the state for the grants we have an interested in applying for.
 - We have submitted our letter of intent to the state and it has been accepted
- 2015 Arts Festival (Terry Sagedy):
 - Arts festival meeting was held last week
 - Poster design has been finalized
 - We will have a presence at the Newtown Earth Day Celebration this weekend
 - Next meeting is May 19th, 6:30pm
 - All events will be agreed to by Memorial Day
- Programming Standards and Goals (Andrea)
 - Andrea met with Parks & Rec
- Guidelines for considering requests for funding (Robert)
 - How will NCAC make these decisions
- Ben's Bell's Celebration of Kindness (Andrea)
 - NCAC will participate
- Naming the Gallery
 - Everyone to come up with names by next meetings
- Community Center (Laura)
 - Laura spoke with Pat
- NCAC Scholarships & Grants (Donna R)
 - Applications are in and the number of applicants grows every year

- Promotional Ideas for NCAC (Andrea)
 - Ideas for promotional material, displays, NCAC Booth items
 - Motion by Donna M to purchase two NCAC logoed banners for no more than a total of \$250. Seconded by Robert R. Rob K will do the layout and research
- BJs Card (Laura)
 - We will spend remaining amount on water and soft drinks for workers and entertainers at Arts Festival
- Newtown Poet Laureate Appointment (Lisa Schwartz)
 - The town representatives have asked the NCAC to appoint a poet laureate for the town.
 - NCAC subcommittee to advise the town is established consisting of Laura and Donna M
- Library Display Case
 - Flagpole Photographers are currently on display
- Main Gallery at Municipal Center will be a display by 3 generations of Provey
- Destination Newtown:
 - We will not be getting a booth this year
- Public Participation
 - None
- Other Business
 - Annual Spring Show SCAN starts this weekend
 - Warehouse has asked us to move all items out by May 1st

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 26, 2015, Town Hall South Meeting Room (lower level).