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The Orleans Cultural Council
Approved Minutes
February 7, 2011

The Orleans Cultural Council met on Monday, February 7, 2011, 12:30pm, Skatet Room, Orleans Town Hall.

Attending: Joanna Keeley, Anne Williams, Meri Hartford, Elizabeth Kuechenmeister

Upon a motion by Joanna Keeley and a second by Anne Williams, the meeting was called to order at 12:35. The vote was 4-0.

The Council reviewed the 2011 Grant Winners. All grant winners have been notified by letter. Council members Keeley, Williams and Kuechenmeister attended "Arts Day" at the Nauset Regional Middle School, which received a 2011 grant. "Arts Day" featured a variety of artistic and gymnastic experiences for students in 5th through 8th grade, including Zumba, Yoga, African Drumming, Paper Marbling, Chinese Writing and Citra-Solv Printing. The council members were impressed with the enthusiasm and creativity of both staff and students at this all day art extravaganza.

In honor of National Student Art Month, the Council is sponsoring a Youth Art Show at Orleans Town Hall. The show will open on Friday, March 4 and a reception for the students, teachers and parents will take place Friday, March 11, 5:30 to 7:30. The OCC will get permission from the Health Dept. to serve refreshments.

Chair Joanna Keeley reported that invitations have been accepted by art teachers at Nauset Regional Middle School, Nauset Regional High School and Lighthouse Charter School. Home schooled students will be contacted individually. Reminder post cards will be printed for students and packets prepared for the art teachers and will be delivered next week by the OCC.

Art works will be selected by the art teachers. The works will be picked up from the 3 schools and prepared for hanging by the OCC on March 2. Approximately 75 student art works will be exhibited in the Skatet Room and adjacent hallway. The show officially closes on April 22.

The month of May will feature the Margaret Fernald Dole Juried Art Show at the Crane Room, Snow Library. More than 430 postcards will be sent to artists from a list compiled by OCC members Joanna Keeley, Anne Williams and ad hoc member Florence Adams. Artists will submit their work on Saturday, April 30 for judging by a professional artist who will serve as juror. An opening reception will take place on Saturday, May 14. In publicity for the show, the council will highlighting the accomplishments of Margaret

Fernald Dole, whose family established the memorial fund in her name. Mrs. Dole was an accomplished portrait painter who spent many summers in Orleans. The OCC discussed including a poetry reading and a musical performance for the opening of the Dole Show. Cash prizes will be awarded from the \$2745.00 available from the fund for the show.

The council reviewed its monthly financial report from the Finance Office.

The council will meet in Thursday, March 3 for its monthly meeting and to begin preparation for the student art show.

Upon a motion by Meri Hartford and a second by Joanna Keeley, the meeting was adjourned at 3pm. The vote was 4-0.

Elizabeth Kuechenmeister

Secretary

Orleans Cultural Council