

NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION
The Regular Commission Meeting
June 14, 2017; 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Roll Call:

Joanne Bandoni Lesa Buckland Linda Liedel Sue Taylor
Ellen Bennett Jennifer Helner, abs; Elizabeth Oliver

Others & Guest Introductions

Staff: Amanda Barnett - Events; Abbey Wright-Geddes - Director; Erin Maten - Education
Guests: Nancy Darga - Northville City Council liaison.

Call to order: 7:02 p.m.; Establish quorum

Approval of Minutes: For May 10, 2017 minutes. First - Joanne B; 2nd - Ellen B; Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Officer Reports

Chairperson

First Friday reception -no exhibit in July so there will not be a reception. Next First Friday is August 4, 2017. The Graded Wash Exhibit.

Three commissioner positions are up for renewal. Liz O; Linda L; and Jennifer H. Linda L; and Liz accepted.
Jennifer will be contacted.

Officer Elections: June 2017 – Chairperson - Sue Taylor
Vice Chairperson - Linda Liedel
Secretary - Liz Oliver

There were no nominations from the floor. Sue, Linda and Liz accepted the positions. First- Joanne B; 2nd Lesa; 3rd- Ellen. Passed by unanimous voice vote.

Vice Chairperson -- Volunteer Update - we had four people attend the appreciation reception at the Art House to recruit volunteers. One volunteered to help this weekend at Arts & Acts.

Financials (Abbey)

As of 5.31.2017, current YTD revenue is \$95,823.76; YTD expenses are \$105,234.24, leaving a net deficit of \$9,410.49. Upon analysis, budget is under review due to lower than anticipated revenue from Art in the Sun (fewer artists) and no additional fundraiser in fiscal year 2016-17. We are also at maximum capacity for our class programs. Memberships, grants, and donations are low compared to YTD budget planning. End of year analysis predicts a deficit of between approx. \$1,000-\$3,000. Emphasis for F.Y. 2017-18 is to restore prior years' revenue from Arts & Acts, add additional fundraising and be more aggressive in increasing membership.

Fourth quarter budget amendments approved and passed First-Sue; 2nd- Linda L. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Committee Reports

Exhibits (next meeting June 21, 7:00 p.m.)

Finance & Personnel Committee – need a Commission member. At this time we have no commission member. However, Nancy Darga, Northville City Councilwoman has agreed to assist as needed. As of now Financial Committee members are: Bob Taylor, Abigail Wright-Geddes, Director and Nancy Darga.

Other Business:

Administrative Report - Arts & Acts is this weekend. “All hands-on deck”!
Amanda still needs volunteers for Sunday, the last day. Sheet was passed around for sign-up.

Fundraising Projects – decisions to be made for Fall/Spring fundraisers. Amanda suggested one fundraiser in Spring and one in the Fall. Many venues were mentioned; Sports Den, and an art crawl, Tipping Point Theater and the new craft brewery in town on Center Street.

Programming - Erin is busy with the Young Artists set up for Arts & Acts this Saturday from 12 - 5 pm on the library area across from the post office. This is the first year for this offering and the response has been very positive. The chalk festival will take place on the sidewalk adjoining this area.
Children’s classes continue to be a positive draw to the Art House.
We hope to expand adult classes.
Doing a new promotional video for our website is planned.

501C3 Board Update- no new update.

Adjournment: 8:55 p.m.

Announcements

*Volunteer Needs:

August First Friday, August 4, 2017: The Graded Wash
Food/Drink: Scale back on food.
5:30-7:30 (Set up): Liz O;
7:30-9:30 (Clean up & **Lock up**):

Arts & Acts, June 16-18!!!!!!!!!!!!!! PLEASE VOLUNTEER & RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS!

***Next NAC Meeting: August 9, 2017, 7:00 p.m.**

****No NAC meeting July 12, 2017. Gallery closed. No exhibits in July.**

Minutes approved August 9, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth S. Oliver