

NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION
The Regular Commission Meeting
September 13, 2017; 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Roll Call:

Joanne Bandoni	Lesa Buckland	Linda Liedel, exc.	Sue Taylor, exc.
Ellen Bennett	Jennifer Helner	Elizabeth Oliver	

Others & Guest Introductions

Staff: Abigail Wright-Geddes, Director

Amanda Barnett, Events Chair

Guests:

Call to order: 7:05 p.m.; Establish quorum

Approval of Minutes: For August 9, 2017 minutes.

Minutes approved with additional **note by Joanne B; first - Lesa; 2nd - Ellen B.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Officer Reports

Chairperson

First Friday - reception is October expected to be lightly attended. Parade and introduction of Halloween skeletons in downtown Northville at 7pm. Also this is the second month for the West of Center show.

September's First Friday and West of Center opening had 72 attendees.

Vice Chairperson -- Volunteers - no report.

Financials -

We are now in a new fiscal year. We ended fiscal year 2016-17 with a deficit of \$11,912.72. It is imperative that we develop a concise plan for this current fiscal year to increase revenue through fundraisers and other sources, such as increasing memberships, improving Arts & Acts and developing additional fundraisers.

Committee Reports

Exhibits - next meeting September 20, 7:00 p.m.

Other Business:

Recruitment Update - updates to membership will be reported at next month's meeting.

Ronald Hwang was contacted by our chairperson by formal letter inquiring if he would be interested in becoming a NV arts commissioner. He is coming to the October meeting.

Administrative Report - The Art House was rented for the first time for a wedding in the gallery. We comfortably seated approximately fifty guests. Bride and groom were very pleased with our venue. We are going to pursue this type of event for future rentals.

Fundraising Projects - Possibly the Sport's Den and Cantoro's.

There will be a fundraiser Sept; 16th at Menchie's Yogurt, 17911 Haggerty Rd; 20 % of your purchase will be donated to the Art House.

Programming-Our classroom enrollment for this Fall is lower than last year. Hopefully, we can increase enrollment for the following term.

The Young Artist's Juried Art Fair is planned for March 10, 2018, at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. It will include artist 2nd through 12th grade. We need an additional juror for December 16th and January 7th. Liz O has volunteered for one juror position.

We also hope to obtain musicians and story tellers for the show. We will be asking businesses to donate gift cards for the event.

Gordy Paul wishes to donate art books for our classes. Lis O; and Lucia Danes from the Exhibit Committee will be visiting the late Kate Paul's studio to evaluate these.

Store update - no report.

Adjournment: 7:50 p.m.

Announcements: Memorial gathering celebrating the life and work for the late Joanne Rochon, previous exhibit chairperson, Sunday, September 24th from 2pm until 6 pm at 8925 Chubb Rd; Northville.

Volunteer Needs:

October First Friday, October 6, 2017: WEST OF CENTER!

Food/Drink: Lesa

5:30-7:30 (Set up): Lesa, Liz o: Joanne B.

7:30-9:30 (Clean up & **Lock up**): Erin

***Next NAC Meeting: October 11, 2017, 7:00 p.m.**

Minutes approved October 11, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth S. Oliver