

NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION
The Regular Commission Meeting
March 14, 2018; 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Roll Call:

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

Staff: Amanda Barnett, Director

Guests: Erica Lewis

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

Approval of Minutes: For February 14, 2018 minutes. 1st by Ellen B; 2nd by Joanne B;
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Officer Reports

Chairperson -

First Friday - good attendance at the exhibit reception.

Commissioner recruitment - we are hoping to add new commissioners to our group; a press release will be written to recruit.

Vice Chairperson -- Volunteer Update

Financials (Amanda)

Through February 28, our revenue was \$57,262.21 and expenses were \$83,148.42 leaving a negative balance of \$25,886.21. Focus must be on increasing revenue through fundraisers, programming and other sources, such as increasing memberships, improving Arts & Acts and developing additional fundraisers!

2018-19 Budget and Five Year Plan discussed; motion to approve: First - Sue T;
2nd - Joanne B; approved by unanimous voice vote.

Committee Reports

Exhibits - next meeting March 21, 7:00 p.m. Exhibit schedule for remaining 2018 reviewed.

Other Business:

Administrative Report - Membership drive & increasing class participation with ways to accomplish these discussed. Instituting new computer system to improve and more efficiently track our membership.

Programming - Children's Art Fair - Young Artist's Fair did well. Thirty-one young artists attended. The AH made \$496.00 with the \$3.00 donation suggested at the door. Erin has mailed questionnaires to all artist attendees for suggestions on improving next year's show.

Discussion to reach out to the middle school art teachers to evaluate establishing an art club in the schools.

Fundraising/Development Projects:

Brainstorming & setting calendar of fundraising events e.g., Art Crush - establish as a yearly event, House Concerts, Children's Concerts, Art from the Attic, literature & film festival - all these suggestions discussed for possible fundraising venues.

Erica L; will investigate Home Concert venues.

Linda L; has volunteered to be in charge of Art in the Attic – suggested dates are July 27-28 (Downtown merchants sidewalk sale) or during the Northville Heritage Festival, Sept; 14th & 15th. Possibility of Art in the Attic coinciding with one of these events.

Arts & Acts is June 23rd and 24th at Millennium Park in Northville Township.

T-shirt sales are doing well. We have two students applying for the scholarship so far.

Amanda & Liz will be representing the Art House at the Chambers, “Taste of Northville” at the high school on March 17th from 11 - 2 pm.

Jenna has our store looking great. Bringing in new artists and keeping it clean and organized.

Dine and Donate at Granite City on April 12th.

Adjournment: 9:10 p.m.

Announcements:

Volunteer Needs:

April First Friday, April 6, 2018:

Food/Drink: Amanda, Sue

5:30-7:30 (Set up): Liz O; Erica L;

7:30-9:30 (Clean up & Lock up): Linda L; Joanne B;

Next NAC Meeting: April 11, 2018

Minutes approved April 11, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth S. Oliver