

North Kingstown Arts Council
Town of North Kingstown
June 13, 2018 Meeting

Present: Gerry Grabowski, Susan Hannel, Nora Hall, Nancy Sherman, Eleanor Acton, Elena Mauro, Fran Quinlan, Paul Pichette, Fran Crete, Gail Shawn Burda, Jim Halley, and Ellen Waxman (Liaison from the Town Council).

Excused: Tony Jones, Donna Vanderbeck, Terry Shea

Guests: Judy Schaefer from Shady Lea

Call to order at 7:08pm. Jim motioned to approve the May minutes. Gerry seconded. The council unanimously approved.

Financial Items

- a. Jim moved to accept the financials. Nora seconded. Unanimous approval.

Publicity/Web Site Report

- a. Article in the *North Kingstown View*, a monthly publication, about the NK Arts Council. Nancy Sherman was interviewed about the council's responsibilities and activities. Everyone's name was mentioned.

Final Funding Forms

- a. Shady Lea Open Studios: went very well. Over 500 people, many who had never been to the studios. Ran "like clockwork". Jim moved to approve. Gerry seconded. Unanimously approved.

Old Business

- a. Town Beach/Band Shell plans:
 - o Discussion about a July 15 concert which is charging money as a fund raiser. Using this event as an example, Ellen Waxman thought the Arts Council might be interested in increasing money into the council by coordinating events at the Band Shell, including charging more to rent the band shell. Council not interested in being responsible for band shell; it is the Town Council's responsibility.
 - o Storage, sound system, lighting improvements for band shell still needed. Cement sidewalks needed for people in wheel chairs, (sidewalks were part of the original beach improvement plan which is approved but there is no money- approximately \$100,000 needed). Plan is to write a grant.
- b. Revision of Project Forms Update-tabled
- c. Summer 2018 Concert Series: all set.

New Business

- a. Sponsorship Report: committee members developed different levels of sponsorship. 4 levels. Working on a pamphlet. Maestro 1 @ \$5000. Conductor 2 @ \$1500, Featured \$500/concert, Supporter \$100/concert. Sponsorships for bus shuttles. Something to do while people are waiting for the band? Flash mob to advertise Rec Department's summer musical? Open mic?
- b. For next year, discussion about how to organize pamphlet so Arts Council logo is more noticeable next year.
- c. Liaison Responsibility/Financials-NK Arts Council members please read.
- d. Town Hall Art Show-want to have an opening but too late for this school year. End of September instead.

Correspondence

- a. Monday 6:30pm open air market at Davisville Middle School-can goods can be use as barter to acquire artwork.
- b. Shrek Jr the musical-June 23 and 24
- c. Wickford Walk Documentary by Charlie Weber. He is finishing it up. Custom score. June 20th should be completed. Will make shorter versions for social media.
- d. Where can we get volunteers to make posters, etc? High school art students?
- e. Advertising Chamber of Commerce's "Movies at the Beach" at children's summer concerts. No objection from the council.

Jim motioned to adjourn at 8:23pm. Gerry seconded. Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Hannel