

Art and Culture Commission of Lemont

Minutes from January 12, 2016

In attendance: Mona Parry

Ron Stapleton

S. M. Bruce

Emily J.B. Christian

J. Perri

Guest: Rob Moriarty

Rob addressed the commission about a summer workshop proposal. The theme is “Street Art” and its audience is for senior citizens. The end product may include a mural in which the participants would assist in creating. It was suggested that Rob contact the Senior Center at the Township office off of Timberline. Mona will include information in our “News You Can Use.” We will ask Terri to include the information in Facebook and Heather in Word Press.

Old Business

The November minutes were accepted by Emily and seconded by Mona. There is \$115.63 in the budget account and \$30,233.09 in the accumulated account.

We are in need of two commissioners. Mona stated that she has made two possible contacts. Joe will contact the Arte Vita Shop.

Mona will contact Dave Walters about the payment of our loan from Night Blue.

Committee Reports

Village Liaison – Ron Stapleton The annex to Palos Park has begun.

Art Organizations – The guild is meeting January 20 at the Homer Library. It will host a Show’n’Tell of its members.

Volunteer and Business Coordinator – Emily is always needing volunteers for the gallery.

Fundraising – No new information.

Grants – Sue

Four months after submitting the final report from our IAC grant, the state informed us that it was not complete. Sue and Mona resubmitted the same information and now it is complete. There are no funds available for this year according to an email sent to Mona.

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School Liaison – Mona No new information at this time.

Artist of the Month – Christina Pateros is the current artist of the month. Heather is in need of some suggestions for future artists of the month. Please contact Heather with any suggestions at heather28@comcast.net with artists' names.

Social Media – Terri updating Facebook and Heather is updating Word Press.

Gallery Exhibits

The January through February is an exhibit of the award winners from our Gala event, “Gifted.” Four of the five winners are participating. Mona and Sue installed the exhibit.

The March exhibit will be the winners from the “Lemont Loves the Arts” organization. It will be a display the elementary students’ artwork. Mona and Sue will install.

New Business

The “Hometown Holiday” event was hosted by Sue and Mona. Only about 25 children participated. The location and event hours may have had an impact.

The “Lemont Loves the Arts” committee including our past commissioner, Carla, is collecting artwork until 1-22-16. There will be an Open House held at Everest Academy on February 17th. The artwork will be on display throughout Lemont beginning in April. 4 Penguins will display the pre-k work. Gelsasomos will display grades K-1, Front Street Cantina will display the artwork from grades 2 and 3. Kitaro will host the artwork from grades 4 and 5 and Starbucks will display artwork from grades 6-8.

The “Holiday Bazaar” held at the Center during the months of November and December had 17 participants. 13 of them sold items totaling \$977. The raffle sold 148 tickets.

The next general meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce