

Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

Minutes from October 9, 2012

In attendance: Mona Parry
Eric Hawrysz
Susan M. Bruce
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Emily J.B. Christian
Maggie Poplawski
Heather Knies

Guests: Jean Dorrance

Absent: Carla Cardona-Tapia, Ron Stapleton

Old Business

The September minutes were accepted by Emily and seconded by Heather. Sue reported that there is \$893.02 in the budget account and \$22,481.39 in the contribution account.

The vinyl lettering is now in both windows. Thank you, Maggie.

The events for the October Arts Month include the *Mooncats Jazz* ensemble on 10-13 from 11-1:00 p.m., a poetry reading on 10-12 from 7-9:00 p.m., and the *Halloween Hoedown* on 10-27 from 1-4:00 p.m. Mona and Sue will assist the children in creating masks. The Sidewalk Chalk Drawing on 10-6 was not well attended as it was very cold that day.

The center has the option of purchasing two types of track lighting from Alice Chin. Mona spoke with Bonus Electric and has determined that the lights are able to be attached to the ceiling grid. The commissioners voted to purchase the track lights and have Bonus Electric install them with Sue making the motion to purchase the lights for \$350 and installing them with dimmers for \$650 by Bonus Electric. Emily seconded the motion. Bonus stated that the lights can be removed if have to vacate the premises.

The commission will be selling the television to Ross Lillwitz. Mona will call Ross to tell him he can pick it up at his convenience.

Committee Reports

Village Liaison - Ron Stapleton
No information

Community - Emily J. B. Christian
Emily attended the 4 hour *Expo* on 10-9-12 at the Park District.

Art Organizations

Visual - Mona Parry

The guild has *Love of Art* show scheduled for November 3. At the 10-17 meeting, a presenter, Ellen Rottsolk, will be speaking on facial features.

Performing - Eric Hawrysz

Avenue Q is being performed at the State 773 Theater. The Night Blue meeting is being changed in November to 11-14-12 which is week earlier than its initial schedule.

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School Liaison - Carla Cardona-Tapia
No new information.

Fundraising

In the spring, the commission is planning to decorate various sizes of pots. The winter newsletter will have more information.

The Third Anniversary Exhibit in the fall of 2013 may be a juried show with awards and guest jurors. The commission will discuss this further at a later date.

Calendar/Gallery

- The Holiday Bazaar will run from November 9 -December 23. Mona and Sue will install the new show the week of November 5. Artists will be dropping their work off the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday prior. A preview night will be held Friday, November 9 from 6-8:00 p.m.
- *Lemont Loves the Arts* will be a one month exhibit in January 2013.
- Old Quarry art students will be exhibiting in the spring of 2013.

Grants - Maggie Poplawski

Maggie gave the commissioners the recently awarded grant compliance worksheet. She will download the logo for Mona to include in the winter newsletter.

Newsletter

The deadline for the newsletter is November 9, 2012. Winter class proposals are due 10-31.

New Business

Jean Dorrance from Old Quarry Middle School proposed a student art exhibit as food pantry fundraiser. The exhibit will be up during the month of April with a Friday night reception from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Mr. Knics donated a laptop to replace our malfunctioning laptop. Thank you, Heather. Eric will install our old files and Microsoft onto the new laptop.

Maggie is considering a Cub/Girl Scout workshop for Friday, January 25. She also is going research charges for exhibits including installation fees.

On 10-20-12, a meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. to brainstorm on funding a mural at the Bonus Electric site. A possible theme discussed is the Lemont Massacre which dealt with labor issues and unions.

The commissioners are going to attempt to restructure the duties.

The meeting was adjourned by Mona at 8:55 p.m. The next meeting is November 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce.

