

## Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

### Minutes from March 11, 2014

In attendance: Mona Parry  
Kate Rutledge  
Eric Hawrysz  
Carla Cardona-Tapia  
Susan M. Bruce ~~DNB~~  
Ron Stapleton

Absent: Emily J.B. Christian

#### Old Business

The February minutes were accepted by Eric and seconded by Carla. Sue reported that the balance in the contribution account is \$26,590.23 and \$1,871.50 in the budget account.

The exhibitors' agreement is in progress.

Mona will speak to Lee Ristow about the commissioner replacement.

A strategic planning meeting date was changed to Saturday, May 18. Kate has agreed to facilitate. The date will be printed within our newsletter and posted on our social media sites. Tentative schedule is 12-1:00 p.m. for the commissioners, 1-3:00 p.m. for public input, and 3-4:00 p.m. for the commissioners to finalize the plan. Sue will be responsible for some light refreshments.

Heather is working on the Intern job description.

The commissioners voted to purchase 12 of the stackable chairs in black for the Center at the last meeting. Sue made a motion to also purchase two, 2x4 cubes, shelves that match our previous purchase. Carla seconded the motion.

Sue will coordinate a recognition/appreciation event for the volunteers. A tentative date of Sunday, October 5 from 1-3:00 p.m. was decided. The commissioners are considering catering the luncheon at the Center.

#### Committee Reports

Village Liaison – Ron Stapleton

Hardees is scheduled to open in the old Wendy's site. There is no new information about the Sports Complex. New businesses coming to town are a pizza place downtown, TCBY, and an ATT store. Ron is in progress of returning the teal chairs to the Village.

Community – Emily J. B. Christian

No new information.

Art Organizations

Visual – Mona Parry

The guild is meeting 3-19.

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Performing – Eric Hawrysz

Eric stated that *Songs for a New World* is replacing is in production until March 30. *Beauty and the Beast* will be the production for summer camp. *Victor/Victoria, the Musical* will be in November 2014.

School Liaison – Carla Cardona-Tapia

*Art Explore!* is in progress through March 21. This is possible due to the Target Grant. The instructors have been pleased with the classes.

Fundraising

Split the Pot will be at the reception tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, May 6 from 4-7:00 p.m. for the *Old Quarry Art Exhibit*.

Grants – Maggie Poplawski

Sue has responded to Maggie's need for clarifications.

Newsletter – The feature article will focus on the Strategic Planning. If Lee Ristow does not want to fill the open commissioner's spot, a request for possible candidates will be included in the newsletter.

Artist of the Month – Lee Ristow is the current artist. Heather will be the artist in May.

Social Media – Eric and Maggie Poplawski are currently updating the sites.

Gallery Exhibits

- Mount Assisi of Lemont will exhibit student work from February 14-April 6, 2014.
- Old Quarry Middle School will exhibit student work from April 11- May 11, 2014. Sue and Mona will install on Monday April 7<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Rob Moriarty will have a one man show from May – June.

### New Business

A meeting about the 501c3 will occur with Christine at the village. The committee members are Bob Parry, Kate, and Eric. Eric will contact Christine to schedule the meeting.

A possible Spring Sale or Gift Shop area will be discussed further at the Strategic Planning meeting. The decisions are cited under old business.

The meeting was adjourned by Mona at 8:19 p.m. The next meeting is April 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce.

