

Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

Minutes from September 10, 2013

In attendance: Mona Parry
Eric Hawrysz
Heather Knies
Carla Cardona-Tapia
Susan M. Bruce
Ron Stapleton

Absent: Emily J. B. Christian, Kate Rutledge
Guests: R. Vick, Maggie Poplawski, and Ross Lillwitz

Old Business

The July minutes were accepted by H. Knies and seconded by C. Cardonia-Tapia. The August minutes were accepted by C, Cardonia-Tapia and seconded by E. Hawrysz.

Sue received balances from August 15th. The budget account has \$2,449.74 and the segregated account has \$25,074.48.

The accent walls were painted thanks to Bob Parry.

Mona and Lee are working on the exhibitor agreement.

The commissioners discussed the possibility of having a college intern. Heather attempted this in the past. She will create a job description for possible redistribution in March.

The possibility of new furniture, tables and chairs, will be discussed at the next meeting.

Committee Reports

Village Liaison – Ron Stapleton

There are various road projects going on in the village. There was discussion of the widening/opening of First Street. New Businesses, Dottie's and Betty's, may be having poker machines.

Community – Emily J. B. Christian
No new information.

Art Organizations

Visual – Mona Parry

The guild is hosting a charcoal artist at the 9-18 meeting.

Performing – Eric Hawrysz

Night Blue opened *Spamalot* in Chicago. There is a benefit planned in Chicago on 10-18. *Sunset Boulevard*'s opening in Oak Lawn.

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School Liaison – Carla Cardona-Tapia

Carla started the organization of the Target Grant. It is tentatively set for the third week of March. It will include 32 classes at Oakwood (K-2) and River Valley (grades 3-4). Shelley and Maggie will supply parent volunteers. Class periods may be 45 minutes. Possible instructors include Mona Parry, Cyn O'Brien Maggie Poplawski, and Rob Moriarty. Two art rooms are available. The coordinator will receive \$500 and the instructors will be paid from the allocated \$1500.

Fundraising

Split the Pot fundraising will be included during the LLA, Old Quarry, and LHS exhibits.

Grants – Maggie Poplawski

Sue gave Maggie and all of the commissioners a copy of the FY2013 records. Sue may need to adjust the numbers for the IAC grant once all of the data are available as the dates for the grant do not mirror our fiscal year. Maggie asked the commissioners to respond to the questions in the IAC grant. The reports for the IAC grant are due 9-30.

Calendar/Gallery

The *Third Anniversary Exhibition* reception was September 8, 2013. Mona and Sue installed the show and Sue obtained the refreshments. The judge, Jerry Stefl, donated his fee for judging the show back to the Lemont Center for the Arts. Mona will supply Jerry with a letter for his donation. Approximately 75 people attended. Mona and Sue will uninstall the show on Sunday, October 27 as the *Holiday Bazaar* will be installed later that week.

New Business

The *Halloween Hoedown* is scheduled for October 26th from 1-4 p.m. Sue will purchase the project. Mona and Sue volunteered to work that day at the Safety Village.

The commissioners discussed some type of reward for the volunteers. It was decided that some type of “meal of gratitude” will be scheduled in the future.

Lemont Loves the Arts will be on display in January. The theme is “Art around the World.” Lemont High School and possibly Mount Assisi will be displaying in February and March. Old Quarry Middle School will be exhibiting in April.

Kate Rutledge is our new commissioner.

The meeting was adjourned by Mona at 8:32 p.m. The next meeting is October 8, 2013 at 7:00.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce.

