Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

Minutes from January 10, 2012

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

Guests: Richard Vacco, Jerry Ptacek

Old Business

The December minutes were reviewed and accepted by Emily and seconded by Barb. The financial report has \$18,471.07 in the contribution account and 1149.24 in the Village account as of 1-9-2012. Mona will remind Ted that the commission wants all bills paid from the Village account.

Sue brought the possibilities of external wireless connections and/or an internet card to address our internet and phone service. Virgin also has a mobile broadband access without a contract. Eric will research those possibilities and check with George Schafer at Village Hall as to the status of our organization. Eric did not bring an example of the snowflake project.

The *Holiday Artists Bazaar* had 16 artists participating and 11 of those artists selling work. There was \$1082 of items sold with \$324.60 going to the contribution account.

Options for a sign were discussed. Heather will research the ordinances. Jerry will try to obtain a brochure for an interior sign from Sam's Club.

Committee Reports

Village Liaison - Ron Stapleton

The Village has purchased 2 properties on Route 83.

Community/ Newsletter/Grants - Barbara Tishuk

Barb will be interviewing Betty Kirk for the Spring newsletter. There has not been any information in regard to the grant.

Art Organizations

Visual - Mona Parry

On 1-18, the Guild will be hosting a "show and tell".

Performing - Eric Hawrysz

The new Night Blue site has been painted. Their next meeting will focus on upcoming events.

Business Liaison - Emily J. B. Christian

No new information.

School Liaison and Fundraising-No new information.

Calendar/Gallery

All commissioners need to plan on committing to the restructured committees. Maggie reconfigured the responsibilities. Sue suggested that each commissioner should commit to two of the general categories. Discussion will continue next meeting.

The Center will hold a reception for the *Lemont Loves the Art* winners. After discussion, the commission decided to offer the student winners a discount coupon for a class.

The center offered 26 classes during the winter. 9 of the classes had enough participants to hold the class or workshop.

New Business

Barb distributed information on the *Donor's Forum*. It appears that being a "partner" in this organization will require days of commitment for a commissioner.

Mona and Sue will install the new exhibit on 1-3-2012 at 10:00 a.m. Heather will confirm delivery with the P.T.O.

Heather suggested that the Center open the first Thursday of every month.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. with Maggie making the motion and Heather seconding.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce

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