

Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

Minutes from October 11, 2011

In attendance: Mona Parry
Eric Hawrysz
Emily J.B. Christian
Ron Stapleton
Guests: Randy Vick, Heather Knies

Barbara Tishuk
Susan M. Bruce
Dave Walters

Old Business

The September minutes were reviewed and corrected. The motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Emily and seconded by Barb. The financial report has \$17,975.16 in the contribution account and 1499.68 in the Village account. The commission received clarification from Ted.

Mona has application forms for the vacancy on the board. Ron will be checking with the Village as to the guidelines for serving on the commission. Dave Walters resigned as commissioner, but will continue to support the commission. There are now two vacancies on the board.

The Halloween Hoedown is Saturday, October 29. Sue and Mona will be working doing scratch boards with the children from 1-4:00 p.m.

Mona will continue to investigate internet, phone, and website service.

Barb has secured Kingswood Academy to perform on Thursday, October 13 in celebration of Illinois Arts Month. Flyers will be distributed. The board will give each student a t-shirt and the instructor a \$ 100 check in appreciation for their performance.

Committee Reports

Village Liaison - Ron Stapleton

The commissioners must attend an "Open Meeting Act" presentation. Notification of specifics will be forthcoming. The television will need to be removed as it pulling out of the wall.

Community/ Newsletter/Grants - Barbara Tishuk

The upcoming newsletter will be sent the beginning of November. Information will include new class offerings and the "Holiday Bazaar." There has been no information on the grant.

Art Organizations

Visual - Mona Parry

The "Love of Art" exhibit will be held on November 5 at the park district. At the 10-12 meeting, a watercolor artist will be featured.

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Performing - Dave Walters

"Evita" may have to be cancelled due to a key actor resigning.

Business Liaison - Emily J. B. Christian

Emily made a presentation and left applications for volunteer gallery sitters.

School Liaison - Dave Walters

Mona will be sending emails to various schools in the area about upcoming classes.

Mona attempted contact with District 113 to determine their preferred manner of communication, but no one has returned her attempts.

Fundraising

Sue and Mona will install the "Holiday Bazaar" the week of November 7th.

Calendar/Gallery

The First Anniversary Exhibit opened 9-30. The opening reception was held on 10-6 with 50 people in attendance. Sue and Mona will install the "Holiday Bazaar," that will be held from 11-11 through 12-23. Extended hours for the bazaar will include Friday nights. The center will be closed from December 24 - January 5th.

New Business

The Center is hosting various events on Thursday nights during October in response to October being the Illinois Arts Month. Upcoming events include:

10-13 - The *Kingswood Academy* performance.

10-20 - An Open Studio Night will be available for artists.

10-27 - A Poetry reading night will Mike Galatti and another poet.

The commission offered the Illinois Poet Society the Center as a meeting space. Mike will inform the society of that possibility.

The possibility of reorganizing the committees was discussed again. With the opening of the Center, the responsibilities and duties of the commissioners have increased. The commission will address this again when the board is full in January.

Heather discussed the possibility of incorporating a "Toddler Time" on Friday afternoons in January.

The next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. with Eric making the motion and Barb seconding.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce

