



CITY OF DOVER

ARTS COMMISSION – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: City Hall, First Floor Conference Room
Meeting Date: Monday, June 7, 2025
Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Jane Hamor, Elise Morissette, Cliff Blake, Amy Warnock, Yulia Rothenberg, Kim Hanson, Jaqueline Manning, Sarah Davidson, Paige Vaughn, Jon Nichols

Excused: Aleka, Paige

Unexcused:

Other: Linnea Nemeth, City Council Liaison, Paul Crouser, Planning Dept. Liaison

Called to Order at 6:32pm.

Land Acknowledgement read by J.Nichols

1) Citizens Forum:

- a) Citizen, Will Saxe, was in attendance.*
- b) Introduced the Commission and the Literary Laureate.*

2) Approval for June 2025 Minutes

- a) Y.Rothenberg motioned to approve minutes with spelling corrections. K.Hanson seconded. Vote: U/A*

3) New Meeting Space

- a) Discussed and decided on First Floor Conference room moving forward.*

4) Budget Report

Overall Budget	\$5,000
Paid Out	\$1,221
Literary Arts	\$600
City Arts Grants	\$1,500 for No More Stolen Sisters \$500 for Community Trail Chalk Walk
Traffic Control Box Painting Supplies	\$300
Likee & Cherry Ice Cream Social for Blue Crab	\$200

- a) A new fiscal year has begun, so the remaining \$587 will go into the Legacy Fund and the current statement for July is \$1,900.*
- b) Legacy fund = \$13,974.67*
- c) DAC still owes Marcus 10k (will review out of regular meeting).*
- d) DAC was approved of \$13,750 for fiscal year 25/26.*
 - i) DAC to set aside 6k for sculpture rental program for the Waterfront project.*
 - ii) There will be clarification of costs in September.*
- e) -Finalizing budget numbers this month.*



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5) Central Ave Sculpture

- a) \$745 \$21,648.82 raised as of 6/1
- b) Will be sorting donors by their donation levels, and we have plaques for 1k donors.
- c) Add signage under Joe Parks sign and have fonts match/similar.
- d) Jaqueline votes to appropriate \$300 for donor sign for the Central Ave Sculpture. C. Blake seconds. Vote: U/A
- e) Install date will be the 16th/17th.
- f) Community service in communication with Marcus.
- g) Mike Gillis will photograph install and publish through the city.
- h) Get all the promo material to post on DAC social media.
- i) Dedication/ribbon cutting with Dover Chamber to be determined.
 - i) Donors will be invited.
- j) Tenants of the building are aware of the install and consented to it.

6) Literary Laureate

- a) Introduction of our new laureate, Shane Morin;
 - i) Shane spoke of multimedia projects with writers and visual artists at the Art Center.
 - ii) Proposed some alternative locations for public access.
- b) Poetry Slams for local schools; some discussion of schools to reach out to and how to engage the kids.

7) DAC members clarified how to present proposals in the future

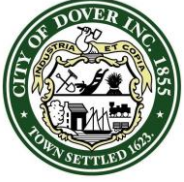
- a) Additional funding can be achieved through grants.
- b) Connect with local community members for support/resources.
- c) Also consider smaller projects.
- d) Interest in renewing Dover Reads.

8) Marketing

- a) Elise review her struggles of updating the logos
 - i) It was reminded to the DAC that there is a file on the DAC Google Drive that has a high resolution file already, and can be edited (Elise lost access when she encountered trouble in accessing her city email).
 - ii) Elise to reattempt in time for the banner project since meeting members sent the file to her private email.

9) Projects Updates

- a) Art Graffiti Committee
 - i) No updates.
- b) Art Walk for Dover Library
- c) The panels were re-primed and new artist, Kim, will paint the linework for people to fill in with color; July 18th is the paint day; no funds, but will use existing supplies in Planning.
- d) Waterfront: no updates.



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- e) *Community Trail: the Chalk Walk was a success! The event tallied 51 entries; the goal going forward would to host every year, aiming for spring; estimated \$145-180 spent out of the allocated funds; discussion of adjusting the remaining fund to a new graffiti wall.*
- f) *A Seacoast Garden at the Sarah Orne Jewett House: the opening is Thursday from 5-7pm.*
- g) *Public Art Projects*
 - i) *All on hold; all need more discussion.*
- h) *Art Beat*
 - i) *No updates.*

10) Unfinished Business

- a) *Dover Street Banners: got more information from Dover Main St.*
 - i) *Open call with a 3 week deadline.*
 - ii) *Jeff from Dover Main St will work with chosen artists and add necessary details.*
 - iii) *Waiting for additional information.*
- b) *Fiber Frenzy: Paul has the application to extend the Fiber Frenzy install dates.*
 - i) *K.Hanson motioned to extend Fiber Frenzy until October 15th; Y.Rothenberg seconded. Vote: U/A*
 - ii) *Tiny Canvas Project: the Library wants a variety pickup locations for this project.*

11) Matters of Interest/Updates

- a) *Citizen, Jill, is interested in attending a regular meeting and wants to bring students to show what we do; Kim will reach out.*
- b) *DAC decided on no meeting in August.*
- c) *Elise shared that her art show is this month and on display at the New Hampshire Art Association.*
- d) *Jon said the Woodman is getting more tourism because of the Ninja Turtles monument.*
 - i) *Jon is proposing that we make Dover a tourist hot spot based on the Ninja Turtles with more murals, pizza party events, movie nights, wayfinding turtles/ turtle walk, and potential festival.*
 - ii) *Jon needs to figure out more about trademark concerns and meeting with community members about project ideas.*

12) Adjourn

- a) *J.Manning motioned to Adjourn; S.Davidson seconded at 8:36pm. Vote: U/A*