



ARTS COMMISSION – AGENDA

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
 Meeting Location: McConnell Center Cafeteria
 Meeting Date: 8-7-17
 Meeting Time: **6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to order / Minutes

Present: Monica Nagle, Pamela Thyng, Amanda Nelson, Kim Schuman, Allison Castelot, Mark Cuddy

2 community members

Call to order 6:32

Minutes approved

2. Parking Garage Dedication

- a. Create a list of marketing opportunities and assign to members
- b. Good turnout 25-30 people, quite a few kid participants, icon designer came, kids going to every floor. Amanda took photos and will email for social media. Fosters was there, the Mayor was there.

3. Governor's Award (Jane)

- a. Jane was absent. We all scrambled madly to get the application ready, and it was submitted. Deadline was extended, but we were on-time anyway. We don't know what the notification timeline is

4. Busking permitting (Monica)

- a. Busking is legal in Dover. Monica reached out to the Chinbergs about busking on their property, they're happy to allow it. Only thing is if there are other arts events – Art Walk, Cochecho festival – check in with the organizers
- b. Kim suggests nailing down talking points, getting approval from Mike Gillis
- c. Monica will ask Aimee if she wants to make poster, if not, Kim will.
- d. Monica has assembled people who will hang posters around town

5. Riverfront project /Our Town grant (Kim/Pam)

- a. Our Town grant – we need to be registered with sam.gov or grants.gov and need a number, city of Dover doesn't seem to have one.
- b. Pam will ask Mayor's office if Dover has a grant number.
- c. Kim missed waterfront meeting this month
- d. Would do Our Town next year, will take time to put together, get project further along

6. HS Committee (Jane, Aimee)

- a. Jane and Aimee were absent.



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7. Henry Law Mural (Jane)

- a. We received funding for the project, \$3,100
- b. For a mural on the side of the indoor pool building, on the side that faces the street, by Brian Cartier with the Teen Center.
- c. We will need to find supplemental funding.
- d. Jane has contact information for the new owners of the Foster's building and will ask them
- e. We need to match at least half the grant amount with sponsorship/donations
- f. Artist Brian's budget is for \$8,000-9,000, for the entire project

8. The Art Center Update (Monica)

- a. Demolition is happening, on target for September opening. 100% rented.
- b. Planning music and literary arts events at the Center.

9. Webpage and social media (Communications Committee)

- a. Feature Artists on our Facebook page - (Yulia)
- b. Yulia was absent.
- c. Want to add Twitter and Instagram, Linnea will support
- d. Yulia to speak to the City to get an email address and phone number to use to set up new accounts

10. Membership

- a. Update bio on the city website for members.
- b. We think we might have an alternate member position open
- c. Application is on the city website on the boards page
- d. Kim suggests putting a few lines about each member on the Arts Commission website and Facebook
- e. Kim asks everyone to write a short bio before the next meeting

11. CMNH cat couch (Mark)

- a. The museum has a "sculptural" couch from an exhibit and wonders if we know where we could put it
- b. Wooden couch, loveseat sized, with broken plastic cats (optional) on it
- c. Not suitable for outside.
- d. Library children's room, Arts Center, pediatric hospital wing
- e. Mark will distribute a photo of it



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12. Outreach reports/ New Business

- a. Monica- doing a sister city project with an orphanage in Nepal. They sent art. Going to do an art exchange
- b. Monica - Mother's Day freedom project – putting it every police station, domestic violence center in the state by Mother's Day 2018. Steven Tyler's Janie's Fund is involved. Already have it in a bunch of locations. "If You Had Heard My Voice"
- c. Jane suggested the printed copy of the proclamation from the Mayor from parking garage project go to the community center. Unanimously approved.
- d. Woodman is recruiting for Voices from the Cemetery. You tour the cemetery, meet people from Dover, all in costume. They are looking for actors and tour guides.
- e. 150 people at the Cocheco courtyard on the Art Walk. A lot of people sold work.

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