



Meeting Type: Regular Meeting  
 Meeting Location: McConnell Center room 323  
 Meeting Date: 2-3-2020  
 Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.

Present: Jane Hamor, Linnea Nemeth, Cliff Blake, Rick Kincaid, Yulia Rothenberg, Kim Schuman, Nancy Vawter, Dennis Shanahan

Absent: Amanda Nelson, Michael Lee, Julia Kirchmer (all excused)

Guests: Beth Fisher

Call to Order: 6:35 PM

1. Citizens Forum: Beth Fisher, a citizen interested in implementing electrical switch boxes with Art after viewing in Bozeman, MT. She has been involved in a variety of City projects, including the Faces of Dover Project. The Group is looking at the Orchard Street location, targeting the Traffic Light switch boxes after conversation with city services. There would be a Historical focus due to the group involved. Jane suggested they reach out to CATA. The Group would like to set the standard and protocol for impetus and others to finish the other 20+. The Arts Commission stressed that there will need to be an application process. Jane asked that we think about finding a way to think about balance with historical and contemporary. Dennis will check in with Mike and John this week on logistics about the locations and maintenance.
2. Minutes : Yulia made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Cliff seconds the motion. Approved unanimously.
3. Membership – opening for a Regular member still. Need to discuss further with Julia.

4. City Arts Grant -review and award grant

Emily Grant: General consensus from the group is that it does meet criteria. Feels like we would be able to offer more feedback on diversity of community engagement. Concerned with funding another educational book. Would feel better if there were more books being published and dispersed. Group would like to reach out to have more of a discussion before we can make a final decision but would be able to approve this grant pending conversation.

Printing Press: Group felt that the application was unclear on what was being funded. If given more time and more of a plan, this would be a very solid proposal. Suggested that they repitch with the Teen Center. Asking them to reapply in April based on feedback.

Yulia made a Motion to turn down Press Application for a grant application due to lack of Press availability for this grant disbursement. Seconded by Cliff. Approved unanimously.



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Yulia made a motion to ask Emily for more information to clarify budget and curriculum and request a meeting with approval pending these conditions. Cliff seconded. Approved unanimously.

5. Cultural Planning, Wayfinding (Linnea) : Linnea checking in with Donna as we don't have any more Committee Meetings on the book.
6. Literary Laureate criteria and committee (Cliff)  
 Decided to extend the deadline to 4/15. We have 2 judges confirmed. There is a Rubric example from California, but we need to massage this to be our own. Jane has a concern that we aren't asking for examples of what we actually want.  
 Jane/Linnea/Cliff to work on the wording this week and publish. Will get on back on the site this week and then work on the Rubric.
7. Arts Community Brainstorming Session w/ Dover Listens (Mike, Rick, Julia)  
 Had a meeting with Steve from Dover Listens on the idea of facilitating a discussion. The Art Walk was the topic, but he really stressed that everyone needs to be at the table prior to any brainstorming. (Woodman, CMNH, Chamber, Main Street, 400 Commission, Art Center, Wrong Brain)  
 Next step is to reach out to the groups to coordinate interest and times. Will publicize but will reach out to specific groups we want to invite to be there. Room 305 in McConnell is the ideal. Saturday morning is the ideal.
8. Art Exhibit locations press release (Jane): Linnea did an Inventory of the McConnell Center - would be nice to have photos along with the locations. Jane and Linnea will work together on this.
9. Fosters mural (Jane) : Nothing new to report. Jane will follow-up.
10. Community Performing Arts Theatre Consultant Update (Jane)
11. Cocheco Arts Festival (Cliff) - Did a SWOT, only 5 weeks this year. Seeking 501c3 status. Will be looking into a wide variety of events.
12. Art Walk / Jan-March @ Wrong Brain – January/Cliff, February/Jane, March/Yulia

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13. New Business/Outreach : 400 Commission looking for input.

Call to adjourn at 8:42pm.