Exeter Arts Committee Minutes August 19, 2010 Town Hall Gallery

In attendance: Jane Kiernan, Karen Noonan, Bobby Aldrich, Dean Scott, Francesca Fay, Bev. Tabet, Vandy Duffy

- 1. <u>New display lights</u> are installed!! They look great.
- 2. July minutes were accepted as written.
- 3. <u>By-laws-Policies & Procedures</u>: the sub-committee revised the current by-laws to reflect our updated interpretation of the EAC's mission. See Attached. Primarily, the concerns are contemporary, dealing with our participation in the internet and 'advertising' and the extent of our involvement with individual artists. The following suggestions were made: create a blog for artists to share events, one where they could post their own information; advertise groups only, not individual artists; include information in a monthly newsletter, to be formatted and sent out on a regular basis, including news from individual artists in a timely manner, but not to be construed at 'advertising' and individual.

4. Emerging Artists: Dean

Dean showed us the colorful post-cards and posters for the show.

There are 24 artists signed up.

Drop-off is September 7 and 8 from 3-6.

Opening reception is Friday, September 10 from 7-10, with live music by "Comma".

"The three young organizers have been wonderful." Most particularly Sam Paolini and Tamara Pare.

EAC members are invited to volunteer to help with the hanging of the art. Expenses:

Food, not yet planned, but approximately \$100 Paper advertising: \$120 Entertainment: \$150 for the band Average age of the artists is 25.

5. Exeter's Got Talent Day: date has been adjusted to May 21, 2010

Francesca Fay is the EAC coordinator, with Kathy Thompson and Vandy Duffy her first mates. The original idea was the brainchild of Kit Cornell, who is eager to participate with classes and demonstrations at her house. The Chamber of Commerce and the Exeter Parks and Recreation Department will be equal partners in the endeavor. Artists and performers will be at many venues throughout the town.

6. <u>Cleaning of the Gallery</u>: Bobby A. will contact a woman he knows who is VERY good. Hopefully, it can be arranged before the opening of Emerging Artists.

- 7. <u>Website Name</u>: Bev has done a search and found out that "exeterarts.org" IS available for purchase. It would cost about \$140 if we also bought hosting through someone else, but Bev will check with the town to see how it would work if the EAC used them to host our website. Jane will e-mail the voting members for their preference on the name?
- 8. Cindy Dickinson is very interested in starting up a <u>community theater</u>, vis-à-vis the Exeter Players. It was suggested that the EAC would have only a supporting role in such a theater, as it would have to be fiscally self-supporting. The EAC would NOT want to take on responsibility for making the money to support such a big project. Discussion to continue at September's meeting.
- 9. Thoughts should soon turn to Committees for the big <u>Holiday Show</u>!! Take the ball, anyone?
- 10. <u>The Vision & The Word</u>: Dean will contact Jenn Vigneault at Exeter High School about student participation, although it might be a bit soon for this October.
- 11. Bev has recently returned from California, where she purchased/ordered new drums. She has proposed offering a <u>Drum Circle</u>, perhaps behind Lincoln Street School, where they have a healing tree. <u>The New Moon in November is on the 6th</u>, ironically the day before we change clocks...Great idea, Bev!! We all look forward to it!!
- 12. Since there is no given term of office for the EAC, Jane offered to step down any time anyone wants to take the reigns. Passing the torch would be quick and easy!!