Exeter Arts Committee Minutes November 21, 2011

The meeting of the Exeter Arts Committee was called to order this 21th day of November in the year 2011 at the Exeter Town Hall Gallery at 6:30pm.

Present: Karen D., Kathy, Karen N., Jane, Francesca

Absent: Bobby Aldrich, Gillian

Guests: Bob R., Bev T., Kam Danitoft

- October Minutes were read and approved as written (with spelling correction)
- HOLIDAY SHOW: Karen Desrosiers
 - o needs more help with hanging on Nov. 29, 3:30-7
 - o needs help with Dec. sitting schedule
 - o Random Acts of Harmony will provide music for reception on Sat., Dec. 3.
 - There was concern that "call to artists" did not go out to all artists & groups. Kathy will check with Jane
 - o Artists will be asked to bring food and Karen will purchase any needed additions
- PANEL FABRIC: see notes on Agenda (attachment)
- OPEN STUDIO UPDATE: Francesca, Official name is now SOS (Seacoast Open Studio)
 - o Can 'we' treat this group as any other group? That is, pay for music for the reception? The members voted to support SOS. But all show details will be handled by SOS, not by committee members. The reception for the late winter show is Feb. 17, 5-7pm and the show ends on Sunday, Feb. 26.
- YAM: need a chairperson for this! Which is traditionally held in March. School vacation this year is Feb. 26-March 4. Jane and Kathy have an e-mail list of local art teachers. Perhaps we need to put this on hold until we have more members, ones who might volunteer to chair it.
- YEARLY CALENDAR: the EAC has to establish an effective method for updating the calendar on-line so that everyone can access it and keep up-to-date on show information AND use of the gallery and back-room. (Kathy has gained access!) We also need to designate a chairperson for EACH show at the beginning of the calendar year!
- MODERN & ABSTRACT: This is the first option for a show to discontinue if we can't find a chair for all the shows. In fact, there are several overlaps between MODERN and "30 Under 30", so those artists have an alternative if they choose.
- SPRING SHOW: Kathy will chair the spring flower show in April.
- KEYS: Those with WORKING keys: Kathy, Francesca, Karen N., Karen D., Francesca, Bob Richardson, Bev Tabet, Dean, Jane.
 - The imminent issue is the Photography Show in January. They need keys to open the gallery for the show. Ron St. Jean needs a key for the hanging day. The Show opens on Jan. 14. (Minutes say that Carole, at Town Hall, needs to have permission to issue keys, but, in fact, Carole has been moved into the tax department. Kelly Geis is now the go-to person for keys. She is much more difficult to find, so contact needs to be made in advance.)
 - o EAC has not yet received NHSPA insurance binder.
- CHARITY AUCTION: Francesca.
 - o \$7155 was raised in 5 hours!!
 - o Many organizations donated food, goods, and money!
 - See Francesca's report
 - o Show will be on Nov. 10, 2012, with Francesca and Skip as Co-Chairs.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Noonan, Scribe

EAC: Current Voting Members:

- 1. Kathy Lewis-Thompson, Chair
- 2. Jane Kiernan, Vice Chair
- 3. Karen Desrosiers, Treasurer
- 4. Karen Noonan, Scribe
- 5. Francesca Fay

Is Bob Richardson 'approved' yet?

Bobby Aldrich, Selectman's Representative