

**Exeter Arts Committee
Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2017**

FINAL

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30pm

In Attendance: Kathy Lewis Thompson, Karen Desrosiers, Karen Noonan, Darius Thompson, John Moynihan, Irene Hall, and Anne Surman.

Absent:

Guests: Eric Sinclair

Item #	Topic	Discussion	Outcome/Action
1.	Called to order	Members introduced themselves	
2.	Minutes of June Meeting		Voted all in favor Accepted as written
3.	Website Mtg Dates	Anne raised issue that meeting day is wrong in some places	Karen D. will check Website and change if needed Darius will check newspapers
4.	Recording Secretary	<p>Karen N expressed concerns regarding need for Recording Secretary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional, to be seen as an important committee like others do • Primary issue is the expense and our current budget • A prof. recording secretary could be “insurance” if any issues arise • John M questioned if EAC should meet in Town Offices and/or Nowak Room • Discussed alternatives and technology • Anne S. said that not all town committees have paid recording secretary and that only a general write-up of meeting is needed • Karen D. mentioned that Don Clement previous stated there may be money in discretionary fund, but there was no follow up 	Anne will look into the discretionary budget issue and talk with selectmen
5.	New Member Orientation Revisited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked on any new or lingering questions regarding bylaws and EAC • John M. raised question of focus on visual arts and possibility of more use of 1st floor of town hall • Discussed EAC events are not-for-profit 	<p>No remaining issues or questions re. bylaws</p> <p>Future meeting to discuss other means of raising funds for arts events</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Question regarding donations – most artists do donate to participate but no one is turned away if they can't 	
6	Current Shows	<p>Partnering new member with older to work on shows</p> <p>Sept. Abstract & Oddities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Darius and Karen N to co-chair Darius did “call to artists” Music planned on bandstand so not needed for reception <p>Oct. Transitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kathy and John will co-chair Racial Unity Team contacted regarding possibility of displaying work created from grant and possibly have a reception on Oct. 21 as a part of their walk <p>Dec. Holiday Show</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Karen D and Irene will co-chair PPAF re use of back room for rehearsals and possible VIP reception – proactively reach out and express interest in collaboration/cooperation <p>Nov is SAA Jan is NHSPA Feb is Linda Anason</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All need EAC liaison but no work from EAC <p>Mar. 2018 Youth Art Month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kathy and Irene will co-chair <p>Darius asked if the big sign space beside the building has been reserved.</p>	<p>Darius will revise, complete, and share Call to Artists</p> <p>Kathy will email to Artists</p> <p>Kathy will contact fiddle group regarding reception music soon so paperwork can be handled sooner</p> <p>Kathy will follow up with Renay Allen / Sylvia</p> <p>John will follow up with PPAF</p> <p>Darius will follow up to reserve whatever times we can</p>
7	Open Positions	There are 2 open positions on the committee	Work on filling these spots
8	Request for Additional Budget	<p>Karen D created a draft budget increase request and shared.</p> <p>Should be submitted by end of August</p>	<p>Karen D will email draft. Members will review and provide feedback to Karen. Revisit at next meeting.</p>
9	Marketing, Outreach	<p>Irene suggests more outreach to new artists of all ages</p> <p>She suggested the EAC participate in the holiday parade to cement our presence</p>	Members to brainstorm ideas and will revisit discussion at August meeting

		More signage	
10	Next Meeting Wed. August 16	Discussed moving meeting for August to avoid running out of time with library closing at 8pm	Kathy will follow up

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00pm

Respectfully Submitted by: Karen Noonan and Karen Desrosiers