

**Exeter Arts Committee
Meeting Minutes for Dec. 20, 2017**

APPROVED

Meeting Called to Order: 6:32pm

In Attendance: Kathy LT, Darius T, Anne S, Karen D, John M, and Dean S

Absent: Irene H and Karen N

Guests: Kelly Nagel

1. November Minutes
 - No changes
 - Darius motioned to approve, Anne 2nd
 - All in favor
2. Holiday Show Wrap-up/Debrief
 - We had 62 artists, 25 of them new-to-us
 - Biggest show we've had
 - \$845 in donations, \$809 in expenses, sold \$2,832 in art for the artists
 - Blue Note Big Band had about 30% growth from last year, show was a success, band was happy – sold \$1,320 in tickets, gave band \$1,000, sold \$113 in concessions, had \$60.83 in expenses for CC processing fees and concessions – made \$372.17
3. Proposed Changes to Bylaws
 - Discussed proposed changes and a few other points in the bylaws, made other suggestions for editing and wording
 - Darius moved to accept changes as discussed and agreed on in meeting, Kathy 2nd, all in favor
 - Karen D agreed to make the changes and save the new draft in the shared Google drive
4. Applications for Gallery use
 - Karen D moved to approve Bob Richardson's application to use the back room for classes, John 2nd, all in favor
 - Karen D moved to approve SAA use of gallery for Nov 2018, Kathy 2nd, all in favor
 - Discussed the issue of groups having alcohol in the gallery and town policy, discussed need for more clarification on the application and in policies
 - i. Anne agreed to follow up regarding who is responsible for ensuring the process is followed
 - Discussed the TEAM applications to use the gallery and back room
 - i. in March – overlaps with Youth Art Month
 1. Committee decided more information was needed before voting
 - ii. in October – conflicts with annual EAC fall show
 1. discussed dates planned versus available
 2. Proposed EAC keep fall show 3 weeks, but not 4, so final week of Oct would be available – Kathy moved, Dean 2nd, John abstained, moved

- iii. Committee agreed to table voting on both applications until more information could be obtained – Karen D agreed to respond, to provide all available dates through 2018, and required additional information.
 - Doris Rice’s card painting workshop for Nov – all approved
 - Seacoast Photographers Group monthly meetings, 3rd Thur except July and August – all approved
5. Current shows
 - NHSPA – drop off/hanging Jan 6th, open Jan 13, close Feb 11
 - Linda Anason – Feb 17 – Mar 4, not sure what date she’ll set up, but Karen D will follow up with her
 - YAM – Mar 10 – Apr 1, Drop off Feb 20 and Mar 6, hanging on Mar 6
 6. New Members
 - Have 2 spots open still
 - Anne will follow up on possibility of a “Junior” committee – there is already some interest from young artists in Exeter
 7. Gallery Security
 - Town is in the process of installing security cameras in the gallery
 - Question raised about where and how long footage will be stored and if we will be able to view it
 - i. Darius will follow up on this
 8. Update on Gallery Lighting
 - No update from man who previously offered to possibly donate to upgrade the lights
 - Karen D moved to have \$370 from Blue Note Big Band allocated to lighting – all approved
 9. 2018 Strategic Planning
 - Jan meeting, Jan 17, will be dedicated primarily to strategic planning. Meeting will start at 530 to allow more time and will be a pot-luck celebration
 - Dates approved for 1st floor – Mar 9-11, Jun 7-10, Sept 8-9
 - Dates approved for big sign – Feb 25-Mar 10, Aug 19-Sep 1, Nov 19-Dec 1
 - 1st Fri concerts on the bandstand – tabled voting
 10. Other Business
 - Kathy needs input for annual report before next meeting
 - Jan. 25 we’ve been asked to have wine/cheese reception in gallery for SBR visit – Karen moved, Kathy 2nd, all in favor
 - Agreed to discuss officers and committee roles at Jan meeting as part of strategic planning.
 11. Next meeting Wed. Jan. 17, 5:30, in the gallery

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Respectfully submitted by Karen Desrosiers