

**Exeter Arts Committee
Meeting Minutes for Feb. 21, 2018**

Final Approved

Meeting Called to Order: 6:32pm

In Attendance: Kathy LT, Darius T, Anne S, Karen D, Irene H John M, Dean S, Kelly N., and Karen N

Absent:

Guests: Natasha

1. January Minutes
 - No changes
 - Approved, all in favor
2. Welcomed new members Dean Scott and Kelly Nagle and guest Natasha
3. Applications to use the gallery and backroom:
 - Pat Nickerson asked for another 10 weeks for her Monday daytime classes
 - i. All in favor
 - ii. Irene requested we ask her to report on number of students for our statistics
 - NHSPA applied to use the main gallery for Jan-Feb 2019
 - i. All in favor
 - Linda Anason asked for time in 2019 for a show with friends
 - i. Agreed to put her on a “wait list” and let her know when we have a better idea of what times will be open for 2019
 - Karen Desrosiers
 - i. applied to use gallery for a writing workshop Tues evenings March 20 and Sat mornings March 24, for 7 weeks
 1. All in favor, Karen D. abstained
 - ii. Applied to use back room for a weekend retreat/workshop June 22-24
 1. All in favor, Karen D. abstained
 - Kit Cornell’s family asked about using the gallery on Sat March 17 for a private memorial service for Kit
 - i. All in favor, under the condition that they are willing to schedule it around what is currently scheduled in the gallery and that they do the appropriate paperwork
 - Karen D will follow up with each
4. John asked about making the gallery “calendar” document a Google calendar.
 - All agree this is a good idea
 - John will look at doing this
5. Youth Art Month
 - All seems to be in order and on schedule, with all schools participating
 - Gallery sitting schedule in the shared drive
 - The teachers will do some gallery sitting, so some days just need opening/closing

- CMS music teacher is scheduling student performers
 - Teachers will organize the reception food
 - Drop off/hanging is Tue. March 6 for anyone who can help
 - Opening reception is Sat. March 10
 - Will probably be field trips during the week, but will have to wait for the teachers to schedule that
6. March 9-11 Music Weekend
- John scheduled Cold Spring Harbor, Billy Joel/Elton John tribute band, Sat. Mar. 10 at 8 and is working on sound
 - i. \$10 per ticket
 - Karen D schedule 3 a cappella groups for Sat afternoon, 430-545
 - i. Will be free with donations appreciated
 - ii. Natasha will check with town/Exeter TV about using sound equipment
 - Sunday morning Jazz “brunch” 10-1 with Barbara London and friends
 - i. Have continental-style breakfast foods available
 - ii. \$5 per person and \$10 per family
 - Will need volunteers to help with the events
 - i. Karen D will set up sign up sheet in shared drive
 - Karen D will do a poster and press release
 - Relinquish reserved Fri March 9 of Town Hall – Karen D will change it with Sheri R
 - Call the event “Spring Sounds EAC Weekend of Music”
7. Discussed big ART letters that Linda Anason has and asking how much she would sell them for... Karen D will follow up with her
8. Spring Show schedule April
- Call it Spring Renaissance again
 - Kathy LT, Irene H, and Karen N will co-chair
9. TEAM event for April 23-30 needs a liaison
- Dean Scott and John M. volunteered to do this together
10. June and Sept use of Town Hall first floor
- Move Theater Event to September as June is too close to summer season
 - i. John discussing with Theater in the Open
 - ii. Discussed moving event to Sept 14-16 for 3 days
 1. Karen D. will see Sheri about changing the dates
 - June 7-10 - discussed possibilities for this event
 - i. Agreed that everyone will pursue their ideas for possibilities and come to March meeting with ideas to try to piece together a schedule
 1. Darius will check with Jay Childs about maybe screening the update of his Consequences documentary
 2. Irene will look into maybe screening student short documentaries done as part of United Way contest
 3. Natasha will look into maybe collaborating with Exeter TV for a film festival
 4. Karen D will check with John Hauschildt on contacts for local comedians
 5. Karen D will pursue something literary

6. Everyone think about and look into other ideas
11. Gallery lighting update
 - All parts are in
 - Working with electrician to schedule for first week of March
 - Karen N sent thank you note to Wo and Barry Schiffman
 - Discussed maybe having a party after to thank everyone who donated and supported it
12. Exeter TV update
 - Exeter TV is moving into the front room that used to be the “band” room
 - Will be using the elevator entrance and gallery bathroom
 - Working with EAC on security concerns for the gallery
13. Junior Arts Committee
 - Discussed again, lining up middle school and high school students as a junior committee to help with shows
 - There are several students already interested
 - Need someone to volunteer to take this on, spearhead this
14. Irene brought up the idea of keeping a database of artists and the type of work they do and will look at that
15. Discussed EAC roles and officer positions with the hope that as the EAC is growing with strong volunteers more people might pick up some of the tasks and/or officer positions so that more of the work is evenly distributed
 - Asked everyone to look through description of officer positions/roles and the tasks required that are outlined in the bylaws and come to March meeting with ideas on what everyone might be comfortable doing
 - No pressure and no one going to be asked to take on work they’re not comfortable doing
16. Next meeting Wed. Mar. 21, 6:30, in the gallery

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm

Respectfully submitted by Karen Desrosiers