

NASHUA ARTS COMMISSION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE NASHUA ARTS COMMISSION

March 10, 2020

City Hall Auditorium

Members in attendance: Lindsay Rinaldi, Jennifer Annand, Sara Caesar, Judy Carlson, John Egan, Alison Isaksen, Tina Cassidy, Paul LaFlamme

Absent: Marc Thayer

Also present: Amy DeRoche NAC Admin, Elizabeth Lu Aldermanic Liaison, Steve Ruddock, Chris Boncodd

Called to order: 8:02 am

1. Minutes: Motion was made by John and seconded by Judy to approve the February minutes. Motion carries
2. Communication: Lindsay submitted the poster (see attached) for the NCMS fundraiser in April.

3. Old Business:

Workshops working group – see attached

Grants working group – Judy reported that the letters are finished and she will bring them to Amy.

Amy is processing the checks.

Policy & Procedures working group – see attached

4. Public Comment: Amy reported that the city is working on a mural project with Beyond Walls. Money for the project has not been approved yet and the project is in the beginning stages of planning. Walls are being chosen and will need approval from business owners if not on city property. Many questions were raised on why there is money for this project, as opposed to other arts related endeavors. There were also many comments on how best the money for the mural project should be used instead. Lindsay will connect with Tim Cummings for clarification on budget and process.

Sara has received questions about where people can take art classes. There is potential for a directory on experiencenashuaarts.com

5. New Business:

Arts & Culture Plan: Lindsay suggests the deadline for the completed plan revision be Jan. 2021. Lindsay reviewed the vision statement and the 6 goals from the previous plan and asked for suggestions for changes.

Motion was made by Judy and seconded by Paul to approve the timeline goal and to give permission to the working group to reimagine the vision statement and goals.

The current members of the working group include: Lindsay, Jenn, Sara, Judy, Tina and Elizabeth

Lindsay will schedule a meeting of the working group.

*Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Jenn to adjourn. Motion carries 9:15 am

The Nashua Community Music School presents

Play It Forward

An Annual Rock Concert Fundraiser

Live Music – Dancing – Raffles



\$25
Advance Tickets

\$30
At the door

\$300
Reserved VIP
Tables of 10

**Alpine
Grove
Ballroom**

**Saturday
April 18th
7pm-11pm**



Nashua
COMMUNITY
MUSIC & SCHOOL

TICKETS

At NCMS, Scentsas Home Decor, or
www.nashuacms.org

603-881-7030

Cash Bar and Concessions

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Policy & Procedures Report

Submitted By: Jennifer Annand

Email was submitted for further conversation on 2/12/20:

From Jenn:

As I looked through the current Arts Commission website, I came up with a few additional ideas/suggestions/requests on how to improve the site.

These ideas are in addition to the Policy and Procedure Groups request of an additional header titled 'How to Work With Us' which will eventually include multiple documents.

Below is a list of request changes to this webpage:

<https://www.nashuanh.gov/346/Arts-Commission>

1) Addition of a Link to Performing Arts Center info page: (link given to me by Paul Shea after discussion of the commissions efforts to include more information about the PAC project since we endorse it)

<https://www.nashuacommunityarts.org> [*Judy is working on this*]

2) New photos that scroll through that are updated images: (maybe the Marketing committee can take this on as a project?)

Suggestion: ask for an image from top 5 fully funded grant submission organizations?

Sculpture Symposium/Community Music School/Symphony/Sinfonietta Strings/City Arts Nashua

3) Updated list of 'active' members to remove Rachel Rendina, Tracey Hall, and note Lindsay as Chairman.

Request to change my last name as listed from LaTouche to Annand [This has been passed on the city clerk's office]

4) Lastly, please find the Arts Commission Bylaws attached to this email for submission to website

Not sure if these requests need to be formally submitted and if so, can we include this email in discussion at March meeting?

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Workshops Report

Submitted By: Sara Ceasar

Upcoming NAC Workshop: "How to Advocate for the Arts in Your Community"

Eventbrite Link: <https://nacartsadvocacy.eventbrite.com>

What: "How to Advocate for the Arts in Your Community" - New Hampshire State Council on the Arts' Director, Ginnie Lupi will speak to an audience of artists and friends on the topic of Arts Advocacy on Wednesday, April 1 in the Nashua Public Library's lower level meeting area. She will speak about why the arts are good for our region, how advocates can help increase the number of arts organizations and events the Nashua area, and how arts organizations and their supporters can work together as advocates. Refreshments will be served. This lecture is presented by the Nashua Arts Commission.

Why: To help our region become more supportive of arts organizations, to help arts organizations learn how to speak about why the arts are important, and to educate arts supporters about how to advocate effectively - both for the arts in general and for their favorite organizations.

Where: Nashua Public Library, Lower Level Meeting Room

When: Wednesday, April 1, 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Who: This event is directed toward arts organizations, their board members, volunteers, friends, and other supporters of the arts.