

Chenango Arts Council
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2024, 4:30PM
Chenango Arts Council & Zoom

Present: (Join via Zoom) Joe, Sarah, Elaine; (In Person at Arts Council) Lisa, Greg Roy, Jim, Denise, Alecia

Not Present: Virginia

Quorum was reached.

I. Call to Order: at 4:31pm

II. Approve Minutes: Correction to February 2024 CAC Meeting Minutes: Treasurers Report; Alecia made correction regarding Lucy Funke

- Motion to accept Minutes by J. Baldwin & Second motion by R. Fuller

III. Treasurer's Report: Presented by J. Skundrich

- Revenue: \$191,299.27 total revenue to date; without our DRI reimbursement, would be at 29,000 below budget. Drawing \$42,000 less on endowment than planned.
 - \$5,000 received from County; another \$5,000 coming in from county in June
 - Corporate Donations: Short by \$6000; A. O'Neil researched that; one of the corporate donations counted on came in as an individual donation
 - Individual donations are \$17,000 over budgeted. J. Skundrich made suggestion to make a note if amount coming in will be as corporate or if it may be coming in as individual.
 - Ticket Sales: Big show coming up in a couple of months; currently have a gap. May be able to bridge it with next show; currently \$10,000 short in ticket sales.
 - Community Foundations and Individual donations did well this year.
- Expenses:
 - J. Skundrich did not see the \$42,672 from DRI coming off in the financials we are viewing. To be amended.

IV. Committees – Sign Up Sheet Had Been Distributed Via Email; reviewed who signed up for each committee.

a. Committees of the Board

i. Executive – No updates

ii. Audit / Finance – No updates

b. Committees of the Corporation

i. Board Development:

- D. Reppert asked if there were any updates; M.E. Emerson reported there (M. McKown, M.E. Emerson)

ii. Membership: No updates

iii. Performance:

- 12/24 Performance: A. O’Neil, signed contract for 12/24
- Dolly Parton coming to town; will meet with performer tomorrow via zoom
- Ballet in Spring – Mother Goose (instead of Cinderella due to cost)
- Leaving room in March 2025 for the Ryan Clan and Gil
- Other: G. LaMonica reported that Will McGuire of Live Event NY teaming with Bill White, formerly of the Yaleville Inn. Greg to call Bill to have conversation about it. Possibly lighted, French setting for Murder Mystery.

iv. Gallery: Nothing new; artists still sending in applications. Denise has information on different artists around. J. Eaton reported the student art show was very well attended. Many students who won art awards and scholarships. J. Eaton did speaking part well, and musicians from Oxford were paid for their performances; well-received.

v. Facilities- No updates

c. CAC Ad Hoc Committees

i. Fundraising Committee – No updates. Special Events (Gala Committee): M. McKown reported. Theme is “diamonds & bowties”. Had a great initial meeting. Will meet with Heather at the Country Club. Date is to be November 23, 2024. Michael Genute declined writing page long letter of support. Will ask someone with a face in the community with a heart for the arts. M.E. Emerson brainstorming other people to present during event; individuals will write a page long letter to support and sponsor the event.

vi. Grants for Teachers: E. Genute; Meeting coming up in May once applications are due. Waiting for applications coming in. E. Genute asked about it continuing being put on Facebook between bow and the application deadline. A. O’Neil to distribute packets to Chenango County Schoolboard Association.

V. Executive Director’s Report:

Environmental Impact Study submitted for the DRI; A. O’Neill has not heard anything back yet. Submitted documentation and a map.

VI. Continuing Business - None

VII. New Business –

- A new laptop for A. O’Neil proposed by D. Reppert:
 - J. Skundrich recommends to purchase it this year.
 - M.E. Emerson recommends to talk with N. Morely from 6 on the Square.
 - E. Genute may have one to donate. Purchased in 2022.
 - Motion made to spend up to \$2,000 to purchase new laptop for A. O’Neil; first by J. Baldwin and second by J. Eaton.

- L. Feigenbaum– Suggests a mural project in Norwich, similar to Binghamton
 - Fire hydrant project update by A. O’Neil
 - East Park: BID gave permission to have wall painted; involves scaffolding. Maybe students, artists (paid or unpaid). Whitewash it first and call for artists.
 - CAC building has a large blank wall on Maple Street, Norwich.
 - Greg suggests selling bricks or tiles; installation work. Pay for tile and color pallet. Can make money as a fundraiser. Walkway of bricks as fundraisers.
 - D. Reppert: CAC BOD to brainstorm ideas to make it happen; beautification and a fundraising project

VIII. Adjourn at 5:09PM: Motion to adjourn by J. Baldwin & second by R. Fuller

Next Executive Committee Meeting on April 11, 2024 at 4:30PM via Zoom

Next Board Meeting on April 18, 2024 at 4:30PM

[CAC Board Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted by S. Green]

Reviewed by A. O'Neill