

Chenango Arts Council
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2024, 4:30PM
Chenango Arts Council In-Person & Zoom

Present: (Via Zoom & In-Person) J. Baldwin; M.E. Emerson; L. Feigenbaum; R. Fuller; S. Green; G. LaMonica; M. McKown; A. O'Neil; J. Skundrich; Melissa; Whitney McCracken

Not Present: J. Eaton; E. Genute; V. Lee

Quorum was reached.

I. Call to Order: at 4:33pm. New Board Members and current board members introduced

II. Approve Minutes:

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

III. Treasurer's Report: Presented by R. Fuller

- Revenue: DRI monies came in and out
 - Donation for \$1000 already received this fiscal year.
 - OFC Community support from NYSCA
- Expenses:
 - J. Skundrich reported \$236,304; with DRI money already out, expenses netted at \$193,622

IV. Committees

a. Committees of the Board

- i. Executive –List of officers has been approved by the membership
- ii. Audit / Finance – No updates

b. Committees of the Corporation

- i. Board Development: List of Board has been approved by membership
- ii. Membership: A. O'Neil located new Membership software called Zelli. (Green, yellow, and pink categories of members to sort through.) Zelli gets a % of donations made. Hopefully to go into motion next week; will need to secure email addresses of those not yet received.

iii. Performance:

- September 18, 2024 is Dolly Parton; show at discount as it is on a weekday
- Christmas show is 12-24
- Spring Show by NY Ballet, on April 12, 2024
- Film & Strongs line-up; grant funded
- Murder Mystery
 - Discounts available for tickets purchased for multiple shows

iv. Gallery:

a. Current exhibit is photographs of the western part of the U.S. N

v. Facilities- Report with minutes; meet every other Wednesday at 4:30PM to discuss use of facilities

- Members are for CAC- A. O'Neil, S. Green; Mary Beth Miller; and NTCl - Marty Kuhn and Terry Colf
- Question asked about doors being open in gallery during Colorscape - For 2024, art will displayed in Gallery and lobby, and out of front steps if weather is pleasant.

c. CAC Ad Hoc Committees

i. Fundraising –

- Fundraising Committee Meeting on June 27, 2024 at 4:30PM

- M. McKown discussed ideas that were shared during the meeting
 - May select an idea for a new fundraiser during off Gala years
- Next meeting scheduled; date to be sent out shortly

ii. Special Events (Gala Committee): M. McKown reported. Sponsorship letters went out. Next meeting will go over silent auction items. Many look forward to donating items. Mary Beth has Save the Date done.

iii. Grants for Teachers: A. O'Neil reported on 2024, redesigned Grant for Teachers, the 2 different award options and parameters. CAC held a June 12, 2024 ceremony and there were 12 Arts Council recipients. Accepted 4 out of 7 applicants from Golden. Mark Golden at Ceremony; all teachers spoke about their projects. January 2025 reports are due. All teachers have been invited to bring completed projects as a gallery exhibit of final results in March or April 2025.

- SECSO - Had a multi discipline collaborative project to interview Veterans and will create an art project with it.

V. Executive Director's Report:

- **NYSCA Grant Possibility:** A. O'Neil discussed a new NYSCA grant, starts at \$20,000 and cap is whatever half of the organization's budget is. It is not currently in the budget. Would benefit all areas of the organization if received.

- **DRI Update:** A. O'Neil reported that CAC was one of 10 organizations awarded by DRI grant to renovate theater; sound has been upgraded. Lights are next and will be replaced with LED light. Traditionally lighting in theater is a lamp with colored gel put in it. The new lights and casings will be LED and digital, totally computer operated. Got quote from Principle Designs to renovate the theater.

- Hold-up has been the Environmental Survey report for the state; main issue could be asbestos and lead paint. update on DRI; waiting to hear back from Fire Chief and Zoning Officer. Project is inside. Waiting to find out if we need a special permit; looking into if we need a sign stating is a NYSDRI project; got a quote for asbestos & lead paint. Eric Scrivener is assisting.

VI. Continuing Business - None

VII. New Business – M.E. Emerson talked to Jessica about the Stadium and Ninas and Give Back Nights, some that go for a whole month. Suggested that a CAC representative perhaps contact to arrange for give back night in summer while sports groups, etc. are on hiatus. Also mentioned Lowes giving back; ie. Gallery materials contribution

VIII. Adjourn at 5:17PM: Motion to adjourn by J. Baldwin & second by L. Feigenbaum

Next Executive Committee Meeting on August 8, 2024 at 4:30PM via Zoom

No August Full Board Meeting

[CAC Board Meeting Minutes Submitted by S. Green]