

Cape Elizabeth Arts Commission

Minutes of the February 12, 2008 Meeting

Genesta Berry called the 2/12/08 meeting of the Cape Elizabeth Arts Commission to order at 7:00pm. Present were Genesta Berry, Wendy Seltzer, Ruth Anne Haley, Julie Rieger, Adam Weiner, and Jay Scherma. Lina Newhouser and Lynda Breary were absent.

1. Secretary's Report-minutes from January were accepted.

2. Treasurer's Report-Treasurer's report accepted.

3. Old Business-

1. Wendy reported that fall grant recipient Patricia McCarthy was working on her project-but that it was to cover all four seasons so she would not be finished for a while. She will update Wendy periodically.

2. Wendy reported that the checks were sent to winners of the 2006-2007 middle school art awards.

3. Wendy reported that the balance of \$225.00 was paid to the HS for framing the winning 2006-2007 artwork.

4. Genesta reported that the library gallery reception for artist Mario Berlingieri was very successful and well-attended.

5. Wendy agreed to host the March library gallery reception for artist Colleen Boland on March 7. Genesta reviewed the upcoming scheduled exhibits and encouraged CEAC members to spread the word, and to consider press announcements that there are open months available.

6. Library gallery application form-no update, this is in progress.

7-10. The Town Owned Art Collections were explained and reviewed for the benefit of the three new members. All members are to consider whether they would be interested in picking up this project and completing it.

11. Wendy said that she would submit the Spring Grant announcement to the local papers in March.

3. New Business

1. The three new CEAC members, Ruth Anne Haley, Julie Rieger, and Adam Weiner were welcomed.

2. The CEAC Welcome Package was very positively reviewed by both old and new members.

3. Library gallery schedule-Jay reported that there was one new application, but that insufficient time had passed since the applicant had last exhibited, to yet be considered again.

4. Genesta and Wendy reviewed the costs of several area museum memberships. No final decisions to join any others were made.

5. Library-Lighting-Jay explained that some lighting has already been ordered and that we should wait and see how that works before ordering any more. In addition, he suggested that

any consideration of major work in the library should be on hold until the town decides what other structural work will be undertaken.

6. Wendy reported that the hooks and cables had been ordered, paid for, and delivered.

7. Genesta reviewed the job descriptions for CEAC positions. She asked the members to think about the position(s) for which they would like to volunteer at the March meeting.

8. The 2008-2009 Budget proposal was reviewed and accepted.

9. Genesta proposed that we invite artist Clara Cohan and community services representative, Sue Weatherbie, to our next meeting in order to discuss the easel project submitted by Cohan. CEAC members have questions regarding use and ownership of the easels.

4. Other Business

1. There was a discussion about the concept of "incubating" ideas, raised at a previous meeting by Lynda Breary. The committee considered the benefits of an informal and open exchange of ideas planted as food for thought.

5. NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, March 11, 2008-Cape Elizabeth Library-Community Room

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Seltzer

Substituting for Lina Newhouser, CEAC Secretary