Cape Elizabeth Arts Commission Minutes for Regular Meeting January 11, 2011

The January 2011 meeting of the Cape Elizabeth Arts Commission was held on January 11, 2011. Present were Doug McFadd, Chair pro tem, Wendy Seltzer, Treasurer and Secretary pro tem, Julia Bassett Schwerin, Curator of Town-owned Art, new members Genesta Berry, Mary Beltrant and Sheila Casey, and Jay Scherma, CEAC liaison. Chris Gebhart, Grant Coordinator, was not in attendance.

Doug opened the meeting and everyone introduced themselves to the group. Current commission members explained to the new members what the CEAC does, and answered questions.

Doug submitted the Secretary's report which was approved. Wendy submitted the Treasurer's report which had no expenditures, leaving the original balance of \$1000.00. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Julia presented 10 new applications for the gallery. The following nine artists were approved by the commission:

- 1. Rose Kennealy
- 2. James Shields
- 3. Ann Richmond
- 4. Diana Johnson
- 5. Ted Smith
- 6. Dan Burleigh Phillips
- 7. Aria Tuki
- 8. Bob Harrison
- 9. CE Middle School students

A tenth artist, Elaine Niemi, did not submit examples of her work with her application. Julia is going to request them and bring them to the next meeting for review. In addition, the commission empowered Julia to coordinate gallery dates and schedule these artists.

Doug did not receive any applications for the spring grant.

Julia reported that she received a partial list of town-owned art from Mike McGovern, and that she is still trying to open the old inventory disc.

There was no update on special events.

The commission voted to renew the library pass to the Portland Museum of Art for \$250.00. Wendy will submit the check request.

CEAC positions were reviewed and the decision was made to elect members to new positions at the next meeting in order for members to think about which positions they

would like to hold.

Under new business, Genesta proposed that the CEAC purchase a set of art education books and kits from the Portland Museum of Art for the teachers to use at Pond Cove and the Middle School. Her proposal was approved and she was authorized to spend up to \$150.00 for these materials, depending on which ones the teachers wanted. She will request an invoice from the museum in order for Wendy to submit the check request. Mary offered to write a press release about this donation.

The next meeting of the CEAC is February 8, 2011

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Seltzer, Secretary Pro Tem