York Art Association
Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT
July 17, 2024

1. Meeting opened @ 6:25 p.m. In attendance: Taryn Myers, Maryse Newton, Anne Bancroft, Laurie Chapman, Melinda Campbell (Torbert MacDonald and Betsy Cromley are on leave due to illness; Joey Donnelly was not available)
2. Unanimous vote to approve June 19 minutes; approved version sent to Taryn to put on website
3. Treasurer's Report: cash on hand $15, 469. Budget v. Actual through June presented - ahead of expected incomes in numerous areas. LM Trust $337,391. $15,000 was distributed to cover roof expenses. Contributions to the roof are presently $2500 received. An additional $3000 expected this week. Diane is tracking contributions to offset Trust disbursement, though income from the trust is looking strong for this year. Anne (Treasurer) is tracking 5-year income/disbursements to determine history and patterns in an effort to assure we are in alignment with Trust instructions.
4. Program Updates
    a. Feedback on Embracing Blue Exhibit
        i. Great reception @ 30 people - very hot! (AC is out - the weather has been very hot and humid)
        ii. @20+ artists are exhibited. Very well received. Kathleen Robinson's work is on the Artist's Wall through July.
    b. Art in Bloom - Postponed on PGC request.
        i. Anne Driscoll and Susan Haynes are the contacts - very enthusiastic about working together going forward.
        ii. We should plan a date contingent with artist's talk - will track calendar for 2025 and schedule asap
    c. Art in the Park
        i. @ 40 booths reserved. Anne will set up a meeting soon to get assistance/wisdom from previous years to plan ahead with. Mary Marshall, York resident, has volunteered to assist.
    d. Summer Camp update - 24 kids! - Taryn reports having a few assistants and feeling almost ready! We're all hoping for cooler weather with no AC available in the gallery.
5. Intern: Betsy is no longer available to supervise - Anne will take over.
        i. Maya is regularly gallery sitting on Thursdays, working on membership list updates and intake forms/recording.

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6. Workshops update - Todd Bonito wants to do a 4-part workshop - Laurie has not heard back. (every Tuesday for six weeks starting @ January/February) Also wants to do an artist's talk. Laurie will ask him to submit a proposal - we'll see what we hear. Nothing else happening so far this year . . .
7. GrantWatch Subscription - not free. ($90 for three months; $199 for a year) To be considered and voted on going forward.
8. QuickBooks Subscription Update (currently Annette is admin) - need to transfer Admin to Treasurer. Anne will try to figure this out this month to put under Treasurer@yorkartassociaiton.com.
9. Building Updates
    a. Roof
        i. Done!
        ii. Fundraising
            1. Roof cost $19,700. Took $15K from LM Trust - will keep track of donations to offset . . .
    b. Air conditioner/heating system
        i. We are in conversation with Palmer & Siccard regarding replacement of existing system. Estimates due shortly. Present recommendation is replacing propane system with electric, ducted with current ducts.
        ii. We had an assessment by Colin McCullough (All Around Home Performance) who recommends heat/ac splits in lieu of ducted system. Once we have estimates, the Board will make a decision.
        iii. Anne will get details on our Occupancy Limit from Code Enforcement, as requested by Palmer & Siccard.
    c. During our meeting, water was discovered in the bathroom and back wall of Workshop Room - assumed to be connected to AC as fan was blowing while leaks were discovered. Turned off AC system - leaks stopped. Will check in with Palmer & Siccard tomorrow.
10. Membership Updates
    a. Mary Harding has volunteered to take on the task of discerning an effective Membership tracking system. She is considering NeonOne - will update Board as things move forward.
11. Tech Report update: Jeff Myers is aiming to have a report ready next week. He will touch base with Mary Harding sooner than later regarding membership system.
12. Variable dues recommendation presented by Laurie - worked on with Joey's assistance. Decision will be made at August Board meeting.
13. New Business?
    a. Themes for 2025 along with calendar items. See below*

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b. Anne will contact Nick Darby about putting our dates in booklets for York Parks and Rec.

14. August Board Meeting August 21st -
15. Annual Members Meeting September 29th - 4:00 p.m.
    a. Will plan to submit an expanded slate for the Board.
16. Adjourned 8:25 p.m.

*We came up with the following themes for the 5 exhibits:
March + April ~ Silent Spring
May +June ~ Entre Nous
July + August ~ Maine Mystique
Sept + October ~ Autumn Tones
Nov + December ~ Spruce it Up (12”x12” and under, up to 5 pieces of work)

We decided to have 4 guest artists along with an artist talk on a Sunday (afternoon 3-4:30) set up through Mary on the following months:
March (our kick off month)
May
July
September

We will offer the membership artists an opportunity to display their work by submitting their bio or artist statement and a few examples of their work for our review (fee of $150 due upon acceptance) to fill the 4 months on our Artist Wall for the following months:
April
June
August
October
* Artists can submit work on a 3 year rotation
* We need to discuss the Counter
* fees will need to be approved by the board

We would like to put the following dates in a calendar form that can be shared with each other : google calendar, excel calendar, etc. In the mean time please let me know if I missed anything after reviewing the following dates we discussed :

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JANUARY : Possibly rent the gallery out for $500/month to artist that applies (?)

FEBRUARY : For the Love of Student Art drop off (d/o) 2/10, Reception (Rec) 2/13, Community Rec 2/14

MARCH : Silent Spring d/o 3/2, Rec 3/14

APRIL : Event 3/11, d/o Entre Nous 4/27

MAY : Entre Nous Rec 5/9

JUNE : Event 6/13, Maine Mystique d/o 6/29

JULY : Maine Mystique Rec 7/11, Summer Camp 7/21-25

AUGUST : Event 8/8, Autumn Tones d/o 8/24

SEPTEMBER : Autumn Tones Rec 9/12, AIP 9/13

OCTOBER : Event 10/10, Spruce it Up d/o 10/26

NOVEMBER : Spruce it Up Rec 11/14, Makers Market d/o 11/16

DECEMBER : Event 12/12, Pick Up of All Artwork 12/14
* Artwork Pick up 12/14 or 12/21?

Lastly, the following dates are for the Artist Wall hang by (h/b) and pick up (p/u). This is a little more flexible so their work will need to be up before the first Thursday of the month and picked up by the last Sunday of the month.
March : h/b 3/6, p/u 3/30
April : h/b 4/3, p/u 4/27
May : h/b 5/1, p/u 6/1
June : h/b 6/5, p/u 6/29
July : h/b 7/3, p/u 7/27
August : h/b 7/31, p/u 8/31
September : h/b 9/4, p/u 9/28
October : h/b 10/2, p/u 10/26

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