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Minutes 06/09/2008

Arlington Cultural Council-Meeting Minutes
 June 9th, 2008
 Robbins Library
 Arlington, MA

Present: Susan Murie, Stephanie Marlin-Curiel, Karen Dillon, Tom Formicola, Michele Meagher, Sharon Shaloo and Anyahlee Suderman

Absent: Betsy Campbell and Jean Yoder

Visiting: David Fechter, Marisa Morgan, Suzanne McLeod

Karen Dillon called the meeting to order at 7:35

Item 1: April meeting minutes

The council reviewed the minutes from our April meeting. Karen moved to approve the minutes, Michele seconded and all approved.

Item 2: Welcome potential new members.

Introductions were made. Potential new members should send Tom an email with their resume and a short biography.

Item 3: RFP's

There are no FY 08 Requests for Payment

We are still waiting for paperwork from the following 2007 grants

2007-01 Arlington Center for the Arts -- My Take -- Tom Formicola liaison

2007-20 Tova Speter -- Design Project (formerly Switchbox project) -- Karen Dillon liaison

2007-06 Roz Cummins -- Libana Research --- Sharon Shaloo liaison

Item 4 -- Arlington Arts Festival: The council had a successful gathering at Tom's house in May to further develop this idea. Stephanie will meet with John Budzyna of ACA to gauge their interest and discuss a potential partnership.

Sharon mentioned that the MCC has established mentors for each LCC who will talk to us about developing an idea for a council originated project.

Tom receive inquiries from two other LCC's (Brighton and Belmont?) asking about our goals and objectives and whether they include and arts calendar, arts festival or public art installations.

Item 5 -- Town Day 2008 (September 20th (rain date 27th)

Council discussed whether we continue with the "art at your feet" chalk art project or start something new. Council thinks it's time to do something new. Karen suggested the council offer a mural creation on that day on panels that can be displayed around town after the event. Anyah will look into the cost of paint. She will also ask if panels from ACA can be donated to us for this purpose.

Michele will turn in the town day application

Sharon will contact town hall about changing our activity description in the town day program-and remove mention of prizes.

Item 6 --Other Business

Tom is in the process of updating the grantee guidelines Sharon suggested we add in our grantee guidelines a section that states that artist applying for a grant for public art must have written approval to display the art in the site they propose

Emanuella Maurice-On leave of absence has submitted a resignation. Tom moved to approve her resignation, Michele seconded all approved with hopes that if she does return, she will reapply to be a council member.

Sharon suggested the council consider moving the grantee reception to 6pm on a Monday when the selectmen are meeting in town hall to increase visibility and attendance. Sharon will write up a proposal .

Famboogle-Michele Meagher described Famboogle and their charter to the council. This might present an opportunity to partner and create an arts calendar.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm

Respectfully submitted by Karen Dillon

Karen has reserved the following dates for upcoming meetings :

Monday, July 14th 7:30-8:45 upstairs meeting room, Robbins Library

Monday, August 11th 7:30-8:45 upstairs meeting room, Robbins Library

Monday, September 15th 7:30-8:45 upstairs meeting room, Robbins Library

Please reserve these dates on your calendar.