

Arlington Public Art

Meeting minutes: September 8, 2016

Present: Adria, Lorri, Jill, Cecily, Nancy

Approval of July meeting minutes.

Town Day: Sept 17

Marie requested that APA run a participatory activity and has a budget of \$200 for implementation

Adria has recruited two Lesley U students to run a sidewalk chalk drawing activity

Jill and Nancy will volunteer along with Adria.

Jill will take photos

East Arlington Stories Update

Received \$2,500 grant from MCC (Cecily wrote and submitted the proposal)

Additional funds needed for the project to be determined as necessary

Cecily met with Leader Bank, but they declined being a sponsor

Cecily will produce a zine printed on newsprint

Will include bios/stories and project sketches and installation

Will be distributed for free (perhaps as an insert to the Advocate?)

Will also live on the web

Nilou would like to produce a Process Book, which could be printed on demand after an initial modest printing

Public Event: October 16, 1pm: Walk through with the artists

Meet at the Fox Library: Adam, Joe, Cecily will speak and Cecily will introduce artists

Group walk to the other murals

Possibly have music along the way and refreshments at participating storefronts

Rain Date: October 23

Transformer Boxes

Jill reported that the 3 boxes in East Arlington are near completion

Next steps/future sites to be discussed

Youth Banner Project

Martina was not present but Adria reported that Martina has begun to contact the teachers for this year's project

There will be modifications on the banners after assessing last year's project (banners will be grouped closer together, banners will increase in size)

Arlington Cultural Council

Proposal will be due ??

The group discussed projects that could be funded

Bike Path installation(s)

## Bus Shelters

### The Future of APA

Adria stressed the need for APA to be institutionalized as part of the town

Cannot continue as just a volunteer effort, especially since no one has stepped up to take the lead (Adria is unable to continue to do the heavy lifting for APA as she focuses her energies on her own artistic endeavors)

Need for the Town (Adam) to ask for a warrant article to hire a consultant (Cecily) to continue the momentum of public art in Arlington

APA could serve as an advisory committee to Cecily as new projects ensue

ACAC will be working with a planner to help determine how all the cultural activities of the town can best be organized and marketed

This may help determine where APA best fits in

Meeting concluded at 930 pm