

Prince William County Arts Council Board Meeting Minutes July 9, 2019

Darren called the meeting to order and welcomed us at 6:43pm
The Roll was passed. Twenty-two members are present.

- I. Darren next deferred to Susan Landess for discussion of our Prince William County Arts Council Policies and Procedures Committees. Some of the discussion included:
 - Nancy Kenny will work with development of these refined procedures.
 - Susan Landess will continue to make the policies part of all we do.
 - The Chairs of the Committees are part of the Executive Board.
 - One of the principals uses of these newly stated Policies and Procedures is to bring more members into the Arts Council.

Susan motioned that the Policies and Procedures, newly stated, be adopted by the Council.
Darren seconded. The motion passed.

- II. Both Nancy's (Kenny & Kyme) told us that our Annual Dues are now due. The Portal has opened, and the rates have stayed the same. Please encourage our members who are not here to remember to pay their Dues.

- III. Kelly Haneklau was now given the floor to discuss Arts Alive! Which is September 15, 2019, 1:00pm to 5:00pm. The two emphasized messages were these:
 - WE need Volunteers!
 - Please get your Applications in. We need to know that you will be participating by August 1st.
 - There were lots of good question about this event, and Kelly answered each to inform all of us about how great it will be if we all pitch in!
 - Nancy Kenny will provide instructional marketing for social media-especially now for Arts Alive!

- IV. Nancy Kenny was next given time to discuss some new ideas for the Council to contemplate.

The County Public Works offices wants to encourage us to use the Plaza between the two McCoart County Buildings for performances-especially right now during lunch. Employees are often seen eating at the tables provided on the Plaza. Strolling players and readers are welcome to entertain these nice afternoons. Nancy added that these performances could begin in the late Spring and go on into the early Fall. Great discussion followed, some of it concerning the cement stage, which would be much more usable if a better surface was added and if it were covered. An important question was asked about the ability to sell some of our artists' renderings. Nancy will certainly ask that question when she meets with those in charge. The last part of the discussion included the important suggestion that we have a table on the Plaza for our calendars, brochures, and other related material. This would be good marketing. The next new suggestion was that The County Board of Supervisors want the Government Buildings in our County to be places for displaying our Council Artists' works...whole walls are completely blank.

Questions were welcomed, and they included:

1. How long would each item hang in the government buildings?
2. Who would provide the frames?
3. Who would decide where each entry would be placed?
4. How often would they be rotated?
5. Does this only mean "art"?
6. Could poetry be framed?
7. Could this lead to member's art being purchased by the County?

James Gallagher wants to be part of the hanging. Nancy took each question as important and will get those in charge to work on governing guidelines.

V. Our meeting tonight ended with discussion of:

1. How we can restructure membership to bring in funds?
2. We need the minutes sooner.
3. The Prince William County Arts Grants Final Reports are due by July 12th.

Motion to adjourn by Susan Landess and seconded by Kathy Gurchiek.