

**North Kingstown Arts Council
Town of North Kingstown
APRIL 10, 2019 Meeting**

Present: Nancy Sherman, Gerry Grabowski, Fran Crete, Nora Hall, Susan Hannel, Donna Vanderbeck, Eleanor Acton, Gail Shawn Burda, Paul Pichette, Jim Halley

Excused: Tony Jones, Terry Shea

Guests: Ricky Thompson, Mary Briner (Town Council Liaison)

Call to order at 7:01pm.

Jim motioned to approve minutes. Gerry seconded. The council unanimously approved.

Financial Items

- \$1500 donation from Centerville Bank. Mary will reach out and request more.
- Looking for donations for Family Concerts and Childrens' Concerts.

Bill motioned to approve financials. Gerry seconded. The council unanimously approved.

Publicity/Web Site Report

- One opening on the board. Would be nice to find someone who has skills making web pages, creating forms that work. High school student senior project, community service?
- Hire someone to maintain web page? Patrick Malone, Marshmellow Fox? '73 NK High School alum. Mary will reach out.

Project Proposals

- Open House, 70th year of Smith's Castle, One day. Will ask for donations instead of charging a fee. Bill motioned to approve \$500 for the event. Eleanor seconded. Unanimously approved. 80356 Denise Boulet is the contact person. Gail is the liaison.
- Strawberry Festival at Smith's Castle, June 15, 2019, rain date June 16. Gerry motioned to approve \$900 for the event. Fran seconded. Unanimously approved. 80357 Denise Boulet is the contact person. Gail is the liaison.

Final Funding Reports: none

Old Business

Color day went well but not many people in attendance.

How to interest new members to the Arts Council? Advertisement in *The Independent*. More public location for announcement, our Facebook page.

New Business

- Quohog Festival September 14, 2019. Rediscover NK wants to put up a table at the concerts to advertise. Money made at the event will go toward improving the town

beach. Mermaid parade as part of the event in question. No beer tent. Airforce band might play. Could get URI/TMD students involved-internships to help? Chelsea has details.

- Summer Concert Series 2019. Starting at 6:30 this summer. Need volunteers. Jim and Paul have the parking down.

Correspondence

Arts Council has been offered two tickets to the community chorus. Fran will take one.

Gerry motioned to adjourn at 8:08pm. Donna seconded. Council approved adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Hannel