

Monday, May 11, 2020, 4:00PM

Video Conference

Board Members Present: Gwen Cowart, John Abbott, Susan Henderson, Vickie Maley, Bee Sandberg, Sharon Haffey, Marla McDaniel, Renee Martin, Mary Quinlan, Pipar West, Georgia Mullis, Carol Kish, Mark Bennett, John Mateer

Guest:

Board Members Excused: George Haffey

A. Call to Order by President at 4:00pm

B. Discussion and Acceptance of Board Meeting Minutes: April 28, 2020 (Special Meeting).

Motion to adopt the minutes: John. Second: Susan. Motion passed.

C. Public Comment:

D. Discussion and Acceptance of the Consent Agenda Reports. Motion to accept consent agenda: Vicky. Second: Mary. Motion passed.

First VP: Shrimp Fest Chair: Pipar West/Mark Bennett

Second VP: Gallery Director: Mary Quinlan/Barb Wylie .

Summation of the Exhibiting Members survey and gallery re-opening plans was sent to all Board Members for today's meeting

3rdVP: Art Education Center: John Abbott/Rebecca McDannold

Update on AEC workshops and events.

Cancelled events include the Nassau Democratic Committee

(May 30) and Amelia FilmFestival (mid-September). These will not be re-scheduled in 2020.

Current events still on the AEC calendar include the Kids Art Camp, July 6-10 and the Dental Camp July 26-31.

The 4H Art Camp is still planned with a possible new date of August 3-7 to be confirmed.

No requests for new artist workshops have been received.

A new date for the Nassau County Jazz band in the courtyard is being discussed with that group.

Treasurer/Finance Committee: Susan Henderson/Vickie Maley

Financial statement fro January-April attached. Note the balance sheet for February is not included as the accountants need to re-run it for us.

Simplified Cash flow report for January-April attached

Secretary/Membership: Renee Martin/Brandy Sandberg

Meeting minutes distributed.

Membership renewal reminder email sent to Supporting Members Thursday May 7th.

Current SM renewals are at 40, EM renewals are at 10. Last year most SM renewed late in May and into June and July.

Computer Support: George Haffey, Sharon Haffey

House and Properties: Jane Hedgecock

Marketing and Communications: Marla McDaniel

Media Coverage ongoing: Art Walk, Featured Artist, Nouveau Art Show/Sale, Third Sunday coverage, ongoing.

Scholarship: Depy Adams

E. Old Business

A) (Gwen) Update on adjacent property and gallery impacts.

A) The vacant lot next door has gone up for sale so no more building issues for now.

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B) The Gallery building assessment should be done within a week.

F. New Business

A) Mary –

A) Gallery re-opening Points:

- i) Gallery reopen: 1st of June
- ii) Masks are optional for workers and guests. Limit occupancy to 10 guests at a time.
- iii) A soft opening was agreed upon, shorter hours, less days. Wednesday through Sunday, 11:00am to 5pm: unless there is an artwalk event when the gallery will stay open until 7:00pm
- iv) The re-opening of the Gallery must provide a safe work & shopping experience. In order to achieve this I suggest several changes to the way we do business.
 - (1) Relieve congestion points in the gallery by reorganizing the physical space.
 - (2) Remove artwork from in front of and behind the front desk.
 - (3) Create footstep guides on floor to direct traffic through the gallery - front gallery, nouveau gallery and back gallery.
 - (4) Remove bench outside front door.
 - (5) Space out benches in the courtyard.
 - (6) Close Restroom to the public - Mark it as private so sanitizing is minimized
 - (7) Limit the number of customers in the gallery - 8 or 10? Have sign on door stating that.
- v) Display new signs
 - (1) Promoting social distancing
 - (2) Using hand sanitizer
 - (3) Wearing face coverings
 - (4) Stay home if ill
 - (5) Floor signs directing flow

B) Mary and Liz to work on calendar for workers.

B) John – AEC Proposed Fee Structure:

AEC

Members	Half Day \$50	Full Day \$100
Non- Members	Half Day \$80	Full Day \$160

Courtyard

Members	Half Day \$100	Full Day \$200
Non-Members	Half Day \$160	Full Day \$320

Rental of the courtyard includes rental of the AEC to allow access to the restroom and kitchen.

Open Studios \$5 per person, tax included, no limit
Deposit \$125 for AEC or courtyard use; refundable
Effective June 1, 2020

A) John to send out questionnaire to EA regarding workshops and small groups.

B) 4H camp is still on the schedule.

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- C) John to bring suggestions to next meeting regarding COVID guidelines for AEC –
Specifically address cleaning
- C) Gwen –
 - A) Vote was taken by EA for Artist Of The Year: Winner to be announced.
 - B) Board voted for Supporting Artist Of The Year: Winner to be announced..
 - C) Mary to coordinate with Susan to create an event to present awards to these two artists.
- D) Next months meeting will be held via Zoom as well.

G. Open Floor:

H. Meeting Adjourned: 4:35pm