Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Isle of Wight Arts League

Monday, March 4th 2019, 6:30 PM, the Arts Center @ 319

Board Members Present:

Jim Abicht James R. Ford Diane Milner

Alison Chapman Sheila Gwaltney Priscilla A. McGreevy Elaine Dairo Gary Hess Elizabeth "Kim" Pugh

Deborah Duncan Steve Jordan Stephanie Faleski Barbara Mastaglio

Board Members Absent:

John Edwards T. Dru Stowe Donald Williams

Jarad Ford Ernest White

A quorum was determined, and the meeting called to order by Board President, Diane Milner at 6:30 PM.

Minutes of the February 4th, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Profit & Loss Statement dated March 4th, 2019: Dru was unable to deliver the Treasure's Report in person but emailed a copy (attached to the minutes) for the board to review.

Old Business:

- Jim Abicht reported on Smithfield Music: The next concert is James Lee Stanley on Friday April 19th 7:30 at the Smithfield Theatre; tickets are \$20. Also booked are Bonnie Bishop for May 23rd, at the Smithfield Little Theater, and a House concert with Tim Buppert on August 10th.
- Summer Concert Series reviewed by Elaine Dairo: The concert is full except for two slots which are pending. The season will start on May 17th. James Ford mentioned that his son Jarad, along with the keyboard player from his band Forte, now have their own band. Their music appears to be noteworthy and the Concert Series may want to consider them if something falls through.
- Sundays at Four: Dru Stowe was not in attendance but reported by the President that on February 24th the Russian pianist Maria Yefimove performed in concert. The performance saw 56 people in attendance. This concert was supported in part by a Performing Arts Touring Assistance grant from the Virginia Commission for the Arts. On March 17th Sundays at Four will host a piano concert by Madeline Bevins, a previous Terrific Teen. The 2019-2020 season has been finalized, schedule will be published by the next board meeting.
 - Sheila Gwaltney highlighted Visual Art programs and the Arts Center @ 319:

Monthly Visitors: 592 Gift shop sales: \$972.90 Studio sales: \$707.00 Class Fees: \$286.00

Grant funding received - \$4,500.00

Membership fees-\$670.00 Donations: -\$2,378.23

Next event: Teachers of the Arts & Business After Hours Reception, March 26, 2019 Natural Virginia Gallery Exhibit call for Artists has been posted on the website.

The collaboration art project "Kiss" is to be completed by Aril 1st and will be auctioned

during the Members Show in August.

Visual Arts Task Team Meeting: Canceled for March

- Art on the Vine: Update given by Gary Hess and Kim Pugh. There was a discussion on possible alternative venues and moving the event to sometime in September/October. There is a possibility of conflict with the Summer Concert Series and Summerwind winery needing to remain open Friday-Sunday. Lee Duncan's Hill Street site was proposed as a viable alternative. Gary Hess is still in negotiations with Jerome Meminger, and the time and date of the event is still being deliberated due to the above concerns.

New Business:

- By-Laws Considerations: Diane Milner addressed several items which have been raised by the Virginia Commission for the Arts that could require amending the By-Laws to include the previous discussion and approval of adding a Budget Officer. Other items brought to the Board was the need for a succession plan for key personnel limitations on the amount of time any one individual can remain on the board, and a timeline to accompany the Strategic Plan. The following individuals were selected to work the issues and make recommendation to the Board at our next meeting:

Elaine Dario and Barbara Mastaglio on board limitations.

Sheila Gwaltney, Jim Abicht, John Edwards and Dru Stowe on a succession plan for key personnel.

Priscilla McGreevy and Steve Jordan on Budget Officer responsibilities.

In additional Jarad Ford was charged with completing the timeline to accompany the Strategic Plan by May Board meeting.

- IWAL Fund Raising, Volunteers for Wine and Brew Fest, April 13th: Kim Pugh urged the board members to volunteer for the Wine and Brew Fest, because the Wine and Brew Fest will donate \$5000 to Sundays at Four and \$5000 to the Art's Center. There are 10 spots available and anyone who wants to volunteer must do so by March 15th.

Administrative Updates:

- April Newsletter deadline for input is March 31st. Input can include recaps of recent events and announcement of upcoming events. Please include any and all member participants when reporting upcoming events.
- Completion of the Creative Community Partnership, General Operating Support, and Business Consortium for the Arts grants will all be completed by March 15th. The Grant

Committee is also looking to request a Technical Support Grant of \$1,000 for assistance in selecting a new point of sales terminal for the Arts Center.

- The Performing Arts Touring Assistance grant requested and executed by Sundays at four needs to be completed by the end of March.

There being no further business a motion was made by James Ford and seconded by Elain Dairo to adjourn the meeting. Motion was passed and meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

The next meeting of the Board will be Monday, April 1st, 2019, 6:30 pm at the Arts Center.

Respectfully Submitted

Deborah Duncan, Secretary