



Art-Speak
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH | CULTURAL COMMISSION

**September 21, 2009 Board Meeting
Meeting Notes**

In Attendance:

Ellen Fineberg
Chris Greiner
Blair Hundertmark
Jane James, *Chair*
Anna Nuttall
Sheila Shea
Leanne Spees

Absent:

Russell Grazier
Steve McHenry
Peter Michaud

Also:

Sue Cobler
Denise Wheeler, Portsmouth Herald
Howard Altschiller, Portsmouth Herald

Jane James began the meeting at 6:33pm.

1. **Spotlight on the Arts Awards Presentation** (Denise Wheeler and Howard Altschiller)
 - a. Spotlight Awards needs to transition, possibly looking for a nonprofit with which to partner on the event.
 - b. Additionally, looking for a fiscal agent that could receive a grant on behalf of the event.
2. **Review of Minutes**

The August 17, 2009 minutes were unanimously approved, with a change to the date at the top of the page.
3. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. Leanne Spees reported that July and August expenses were primarily for the Coordinator's contract. The balance of the funds in the trust will be spent by the end of this fiscal year if no additional money is raised.
 - b. The board voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report



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- c. The board voted unanimously to accept and sign the resolution for the NHSCA grant contract for the ArtWorks project.

4. Funding Meeting

- a. Jane James reported that the meeting to brainstorm funding ideas was quite successful, with lots of ideas generated. Meeting notes are being written up and will be distributed to the full board before the next board meeting.

5. Funding Committee

- a. Jane James reported that she is in the process of recruiting people to sit on an informal "brainstorming group" which will meet a few times, but not be a standing committee.
- b. The Executive Committee will make a recommendation to the board of the make up of a Fundraising Committee by the next board meeting.

6. Agreement with NHSCA

- a. Sue Cobler reported that it has been determined that it is feasible for Art-Speak to enter into agreement with the NHSCA to administer a grant for the state-wide Arts Satellite.
- b. Ellen Fineberg made a motion that Art-Speak act as the fiscal agent for the NHSCA Arts Satellite network under the condition that A-S still be able to apply for grants under this network and that A-S will receive a \$2000 administrative fee. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Fire Station 1 Sculpture Dedication: October 15 at 6:30

- a. It was recommended by Russ Grazier that we ask if A-S could write an op-ed in the weekend paper touting the public art and A-S role in the project.

8. Committee Reports

a. Outreach and Education:

- i. Anna Nuttall reported that she is lining up artists for the ArtWorks program.
- ii. The program will begin in December, once the second trimester starts.

b. Space

- i. Jane reported that a number of committee members spoke at the ZBA meeting regarding the inclusion of the term live/work space in the City's new zoning ordinance.

9. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.



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Meeting notes taken by Chris Greiner, *Secretary*



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Art-Speak, City Cultural Commission Board of Directors (alpha order)

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Leanne Spees, *Treasurer*
Nancy Carmer, *Ex Officio*
John Bohenko, *Ex Officio*