



**Art-Speak**  
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH CULTURAL COMMISSION  
**February 8, 2010 Board Meeting**  
**Meeting Notes**

**In Attendance:**

Tom Cocchiaro  
Molly Ferrara  
Ellen Fineberg  
Russell Grazier  
Chris Greiner  
Blair Hundertmark  
Steve McHenry  
Anna Nuttall  
Jody Record

**Absent:**

Diane Cabal  
Jane James, *Chair*  
Peter Michaud  
Sheila Shea  
Leanne Spees

**Also:**

Sue Cobler

Jane James began the meeting at 6:39pm.

- 1. Review of Minutes**  
The January 10, 2009 minutes were unanimously approved.
- 2. Treasurer's Report**  
Leanne Spees reported on both December and January. December income from our Annual Appeal (\$2,560) represents the first revenue for this fiscal year. Year-to-date expenditures are \$23,803.76. The Treasurer's report was unanimously approved.
- 3. Annual Appeal Update**  
Sue Cobler reported that donations total approximately \$3900. Thank you letters have been sent out.



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4. **Sustainability Meeting Report**  
Tom Cocchiaro reported that this initial meeting called by Jim Noucas, touched on, among other things, creating a sustainable environment for Portsmouth's arts and cultural community. Additional meetings will follow. Sue Cobler will contact Jim Noucas, to invite him to our next board meeting.
5. **Outreach Committee Report**  
Anna Nuttall reported that Nate Walker's visiting artist residency is complete and the exhibition's opening reception will be held this Tuesday evening at the Library. Youth Art Month is in March and Anna is soliciting downtown businesses to display student art in their stores that month.
6. **Overnight Art Sponsorship/Funding**  
Jane James reported that pledges currently stand at \$12,600, which is enough to guarantee this year's exhibition will happen. Additional pledges are on the way. Deadline of April 15 was set for pledges in order to receive marketing benefits. Sue Cobler reported that we received 21 applications. The jury has been chosen, invited, and will convene on Thursday morning, February 18.
7. **Additions to the Agenda**  
Sue Cobler reported that Zero Waste Portsmouth would like the Art-Speak board's support for a recycling program that would incorporate artist's work into the design. Steve McHenry proposed that the board respond to the request, supporting public art as concept, but recommending that any program be directed through the city's art acquisition policy. The board voted to approve this action.  
  
Sue Cobler reported that 37 proposals were received for the Fire Station 2, Percent for Art project. The jury has been selected and invited. The board discussed how Percent for Art and City Art Acquisition Policy committees are created.
8. **Review of New Action Items**  
Sue will facilitate a new board member orientation.
9. **Adjournment**  
Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

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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Nancy Carmer, *Ex Officio*  
John Bohenko, *Ex Officio*