



Art-Speak
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH | CULTURAL COMMISSION
April 19, 2010 Board Meeting
Meeting Notes

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

Diane Cabal
Tom Cocchiaro
Molly Ferrera
Ellen Fineberg
Russell Grazier
Christopher Greiner, *Secretary*
Blair Hundertmark
Jane James, *Chair*
Steve McHenry, *Vice Chair*
Peter Michaud
Anna Nuttall
Jody Record
Sheila Shea
Leanne Spees, *Treasurer*
Nancy Carmer, *Ex Officio*
John Bohenko, *Ex Officio*



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4. Committee Reports

a. Overnight Art

- i. Chris Greiner reported that he and Deb Thompson are deep in the planning stages, working with the artists, City, and the designer to make sure everything is ready for the installation the first week in June.
- ii. Leanne Spees requested that the committee make sure that sponsoring businesses are acknowledged in every appropriate way.

b. Outreach

- i. Anna Nuttall reported that the ArtWorks project is wrapping up. The closing reception is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Wednesday, May 26, tentatively.
- ii. Anna also reported that there is a lot of work that needs to be done in advance of the closing reception and that board participation would be helpful.

c. Advocacy

- i. Ellen Fineberg, Tom Cocchiario and Diane Cabal met for the first time last month, discussing how best Art-Speak could advocate for the NH Council on the Arts budget.
- ii. Tom Cocchiario reported that the group talked about a stronger relationship with the local arts community.

d. Nominating

- i. Jane James, Ellen Fineberg, Blair Hundertmark, and Sheila Shea will be leaving the board at the end of the June.
- ii. The board had a discussion about the types of roles we are looking to fill on the board.

5. Additions to the Agenda

6. Review of New Action Items

7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Meeting notes taken by Chris Greiner, *Secretary*



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Chris Greiner
Blair Hundertmark
Peter Michaud
Anna Nuttall
Jody Record
Sheila Shea
Leanne Spees

Absent:

Diane Cabal
Russell Grazier
Jane James
Steve McHenry

Also:

Sue Cobler

Leanne Spees began the meeting at 6:39pm.

1. Review of Minutes

The March 15, 2010 minutes were unanimously approved.

2. Treasurer's Report

Leanne Spees reported that total income for March was \$10,196.99. Expenditures for March were \$5,407.59. With funds raised this year – PSNH grant and Annual Appeal, etc. – we did not have to pull any additional funds from the trust. The Executive Committee has recommended that the board look towards creating a committee focused on the long-term sustainability of the organization.

3. Proposed FY11 Budget

Leanne Spees reported that at this point there is no budget to review, but that we are looking towards a \$7,000 shortfall for paying the coordinator's contract.