



**Sept. 15, 2014 Board Meeting
School Department Board Room, City Hall
6:30-8:30pm**

Duncan absent.

I. Welcome Lisa Santilli and Brendan Mangus

Visitors for this evening.

II. Approval of Aug. Minutes

Alan moved to approve the minutes and Larry seconded, unanimous approval of the board.

III. Budget Report

Nicole reviewed the budget with the board. Nicole will need the PACA budget from the grant for exact information. She will have more information at our next board meeting.

IV. Director's Report

PACA update - Nancy had been working on organizing and holding the first official meeting. An informational meeting was held last week. Nancy provided us with information about the members of the new PACA steering committee. This is a very motivated group that wants to get started right away on the goals from our last community meeting. The official announcement of PACA to the media will come out shortly.

*Art-Speak will have a presence at the community meeting on Thurs. Oct 2nd at city hall about the noise issue. Please put this on your calendar.

V. Response Plan

Discussion about the "Keep Portsmouth Loud" campaign/group.

The board discussed communication in general between Portsmouth citizens and the city council/mayor on issues about arts and culture.

Mike passed a draft plan to the group and requested feedback by Thursday Sept 18th

VI. Citywide A & C Campaign

Art-Speak would like to be a catalyst to promote the arts and culture on the Seacoast. This could start with a small committee that includes people from outside of the Art-Speak board and the PACA steering committee. Mike and Cathy volunteered to be a part of a new committee. (Also Duncan?) Brendan Mangus, our guest, offered to be a part of this committee as well.

*Mike will come up with a definition and some objectives for this committee.

*The board will come up with some names of people to ask to be a part of this new committee.

VII. Community Forum Series

The board discussed if there should there be a series of forums focusing on arts and culture hosted by Art-Speak?

The first week in Nov is a target date for our first community forum.

*Nancy P will check dates and locations for an event.

We will discuss this further at our next meeting.

VIII. AFTA-

Jan. 1st 2016 is when the official work begins on collecting data for the next AFTA survey.

IX. Other

PACA – Ann Black from Strawberry Banke resigned as of last Fri. She was on the PACA Steering Committee.

Next EC Meeting: Oct. 14

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