



TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD
Commission on Culture and Fine Arts
EHCCC
50 Chapman Place – Room 12
East Hartford, CT 06108
MINUTES
Meeting of January 9, 2020

Chair Prescille Yamamoto called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Joan Coates, Joanne Covey, Lisa Gold, Gloria Visgilo-Lupi, Glynis McKenzie, Judy Okeson, Dan Russell, Betty Russell, Susan Tukey, Rosamond White, and Prescille Yamamoto.

ABSENT: Regina Barall, and Terrye Blackstone. Excused is Sarah Morgan.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: Lisa Gold moved to approve the November 19, 2019 and December 12, 2019 minutes.

Second: Joanne Covey

Corrections: December 12, 2019 Roll Call last name spelling should read Gloria Visgilio-Lupi.; November 14, 2019 Art Programs – end of second sentence should read 'many of the pieces were sold.'

All in Favor: Motion carried

- II. CHAIR'S REPORT:** Prescille Yamamoto commented to the Commissioners that there are some reappointments coming up. If the reappointment letters for those Commissioners involved have not been received, they should contact their party's Town Committee Chairman.

The Chair reported that there was not a quorum at the December 12, 2019 meeting. She asked Judy Okeson, Nominating Committee Chair to announce the candidates for the annual meeting elections: Rosamond White as Chair, Lisa Gold as Vice Chair, and Joan Coates as Secretary, and Historian – open.

Motion: Joanne Covey moved to accept the new candidates for election.

Second: Susan Tukey

All in Favor: Motion carried

The new Chair, Rosemond White took over the meeting.

- III. CORRESPONDENCE:** Paul Bisaccia gave possible dates for a free concert in May: first choice May 16th or 17th, 2020 and May 2nd or 3rd, 2020 to perform at First Congregational Church.

The New Britain Museum of Art request to sponsor an Art Show and renew membership.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Caribbean Month: Rosamond White is working on the Art, Culture, and New World, who and what Caribbean people are, and including their cooking.

Children Library Programs: **Hartford Symphony Orchestra's Instrument Discovery Lab** will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 2:00pm.

International Take Your Child to the Library Day is also held on Saturday, February 1, 2020.

Dance: No report.

EHSYF: Glynis McKenzie reported that on February 15, 2020 the name of this year's musical production will be announced at the reveal party to be held at the Veteran's Memorial Clubhouse

EHSYF TICKETS IN 2020: April 9, 2020 discussion.

Film Series: *Red Joan* – show date January 18, 2020; *Shoplifters* – show date changed to February 22, 2020; *The Guilty* – March 21, 2020; *Women at War* – April 18, 2020.

Logo: Rosamond White and Lisa Gold will hold a contest for 'East Hartford Residents only' attending the Schools. Finishing touches on the correspondence regarding the contest are in process. The contest will be held during the month of February, 2020.

Mini Grants: Betty Russell is waiting to hear from the teachers on the dates scheduled for the awarded Mini Grants.

Music: New State Troubadour Neikta Waller to perform on **Friday, February 7, 2020** after hours at the Library 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

Poetry / Poet Laureate: John Stanizzi and Marilyn Johnson's poetry reading will be held on **Thursday, February 27, 2020** at 6:30 pm.

Sarah Morgan, Library Director No report.

Sounds of Summer: No report.

Art League Festival 2020: Scheduled Saturday, May 9, 2020 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Art Programs/Demos/Exhibits: Shauna Shane will demonstrate farm landscapes on Sunday, January 12, 2020 from 2-4 pm at East Hartford Culture Community Center.

Black History: Rosamond White reported **Birtherd Out of Africa**, a 70 minutes musical production, will be held on Saturday February 29, 2019 at 3:30 pm, (Snow date March 7, 2020) at the East Hartford Community Cultural Center, 50 Chapman Place, East Hartford. An Introduction by East Hartford's own, drummer Alvin Carter. This event is appropriate for all ages and attendance is free of charge. For additional information please call Roz White (860)580-9004.

Tammy Denease Richardson is scheduled to perform, at the Library, a character from '**Hidden Women**' on Saturday February 15, 2020 at 3:00 pm.

Bus Trip: No report.

V. APPROVAL OF BILLS:

\$80.00 Judith Beeman (Clerk's Fee)
\$125.00 Shauna Shane (Art demonstration 1/12/2020)
\$125.00 Ken Longhorn (Piano Tuning December 3, 2019)

Motion by: Prescille Yamamoto moved to approve the payment of bills.
Second: Dan Russell
All in Favor: Motion Carried

VI. MEMBER'S CONCERNS: No report.

VII. NEW BUSINESS: The 2020 – 2021 Budget was discussed.

Motion: Judy Okeson moved to approve the proposed 2020–2021 Budget.
Second: Prescille Yamamoto
Motion: Judy Okeson moved to keep the 2020–2021 Budget the same
as the 2019-2020 Budget \$20,643.
Second: Susan Tukey
All in Favor: Motion Carried.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS: No report.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Joanne Covey moved to adjourn the meeting 8:09 pm
Second: Susan Tukey
All in Favor: Motion carried

The next meeting of the Commission on Culture and Fine Arts will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at the EHCCC, 50 Chapman Place – Room 12, East Hartford, CT 06108.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Beeman, Clerk