



Town of East Hartford
Commission on Culture and Fine Arts
740 Main St.
East Hartford, CT 06108-3114

East Hartford Raymond Library
840 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108
Meeting
July 14, 2022

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Tamara Bryan-Chuchro, Michael MacDonald, Lisa Gold, Glynis McKenzie, Sarah Morgan, Susan Tukey, Thomas Lumpkin, Prescille Yamamoto and Lakisher Hurst.

EXCUSED: Joan Coates, Emilio Estrella and Rosamond White

UNEXCUSED: Joanne Covey and Annabelle Diaz

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Lisa Gold called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM without a quorum. Quorum was later met at 7:15 PM

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: June 9th minutes were approved
Motion made by Comm. P. Yamamoto
Seconded by Comm. Tukey
All in favor motion carried

ALSO, PRESENT: None

CHAIR'S REPORT: Great reviews on Juneteenth. New clerk, Oksana Hart.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Children Library Programs and Library Director's Report:**
 1. Juneteenth wild success; credit to CCFA for performers. Grace Wright was filmed by CPTV. Comm. Lumpkin also performed and Comm. Hurst was a vendor.
 2. Camp update – P&R numbers have increased, more than projected-record enrollment-CCFA funded \$1500
 3. Art show at Brewer House 7/16- 15 artists. Rose garden dedication at 1 PM; Art awards at 3:30
 4. Wickham Library still slated to open in October

Library is very busy this summer.

- **East Hartford Summer Youth Festival:** Dates 7/29, 7/30 and 7/31-times 7:30/7:30/2:00
Tickets will be at library; S. Morgan will contact C. Nolan at Youth Services to ask how many they would need for them and explorers, teens
- **Film Series:** no report
- **Children Film Festival:** more discussion needed
- **Music:** Commissioner Yamamoto wrote to Paul Bisaccia regarding availability and cost.
Sarah Morgan formally requested monies to pay for Steele Pan Symphony on 9/10 at 1PM for \$1200.
Motion seconded by Comm. Yamamoto
All in favor; motion passed
- **Poetry / Poet Laureate:** no new ideas, no report
- **Sounds of Summer:** August 4th will be East Hartford Night. The artist is Cover2Cover
- **Arts:** further discussion needed on activates for special needs children
- **Poetry/Dance** – no report
- **Immigration Events** – no report
- **Native American Culture-**
Sarah Morgan formally requested monies to pay for Eastern Medicine Singers on 10/1 for \$1500.
Motion seconded by Comm. Bryan-Chuchro
All in favor; motion passed

OLD BUSINESS: Around the Globe Christmas in East Hartford; more discussion held-further information needed

Tickets for In the Height – discussion held on how to best distribute tickets. No longer can accept monies at the library. Farmers market pop ups are on hold for July. Sarah suggests rescheduling monies to have performers on Friday's at the Farmers market.

Dr. Melissa Sue John – two sessions on Writing your book and getting it published. Approved at last meeting; Sarah will come back with more information.

Wine/Art/Music – Nekita Waller to come back and do a paint night at the library; waiting in approval from the Mayor regarding this.

Sounds of Summer – discussion held that there is very little parking; American Federal Credit Union is not allowing parking in their lot.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dad Hero Community Day-discussion held; more information needed on what is expected from the Commission

Approval of Bills: **Motion** by Comm. Yamamoto to pay the Clerk
 Motion Seconded by Comm. Tukey
 All in favor; motion carried

Member's Concerns: Comm. Yamamoto concerned that the Commission has not done a budget for the year. Suggests set December to do a budget

Adjournment: **Motioned by:** Comm.Yamamoto
 Seconded by: Comm. Tukey
 All in Favor: Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM

The next meeting of the Commission on Culture and Fine Arts will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at the East Hartford Raymond Library Reference room, 840 Main St., East Hartford, CT.