

Burlington City Arts Board Meeting Notes
Lorraine B Good Room, BCA Center
September 16, 2014
2:00pm – 5:00pm

Board members in attendance: Beth Montuori Rowles, Lori Rowe, Michael Metz, Barbara Perry, Rachel Kahn-Fogel, Billi Gosh, John Gonter, Bill Post, Dan Harvey, Leslie Black Sullivan, Sandy Berbeco, Dana vanderHeyden (phone), Sherrill Musty, Billi Gosh (phone)

Board members missing: Lee Bouyea, Pascal Spengemann, Sherrill Musty, Phillip Bosen, Sanjay Sharma

Staff in attendance: Doreen Kraft, Sara Katz, Gretchen Farrar, Melissa Steady, Mary Zompetti, DJ Hellerman, Christina Brooker (notes). Guests Rolf Kielman and Andrew Chardain from Truex Cullins joined at 4PM.

Call to Order 2:15PM

- 1. Review of June Minutes**
 - a. Rachel was erroneously not listed as attending the previous Board meeting. Michael moved to accept the June minutes including this change. All were in favor.
- 2. Vote in Slate of Officers**
 - a. Dan nominated the slate of officers as follows:
 - i. Beth Montuori Rowles – President
 - ii. Lori Rowe – Vice President
 - iii. Michael Metz – Treasurer
 - iv. Lee Bouyea – Secretary
 - v. Billi Gosh – Member at Large
 - b. Slate was seconded by Sandy Berbeco. All were in favor.
- 3. FY15 Financial Update**
 - a. 50% of the \$100,000 challenge grant funds from the Stillers were successfully allocated towards the FY15 budget.
 - b. Sara presented a Revenue comparison of FY14 vs. FY15 as of August 31. Future comparisons will become more meaningful as the fiscal year progresses.
 - i. The Board requested greater detail on the organization's Art Sales revenue line item. Sara will work with Kerri on this information for the next meeting.
- 4. Nominating Committee**
 - a. There is no current update from the Nominating Committee. Beth noted it is a priority to keep the Nominating Committee active. A committee meeting and a new board matrix will be made a priority.
- 5. Foundation Board Update**
 - a. The next Foundation Board meeting will be October 30th at noon. All board members are invited to attend.
- 6. Director's Report**
 - a. Many of the director's updates were outlined in the email sent to board members (see attached).
 - b. Proposed Development Events include an online auction, a fundraiser hosted by Pat Robins, and an event using the artwork donated by Pat Parsons. Proposed events will be entered into a planning calendar.
 - c. DJ Hellerman updated the board on the exhibition *Of Land and Local*, opening Friday, September 19th at the BCA Center, and Thursday, October 9th at Shelburne Farms.
 - i. Of the 89 artists presented in the BCA Center gallery last year, 76 (85%) were Vermont Artists. This does not include The Vermont Metro Gallery.
 - ii. It is the second year of the Visiting Critic series
 - iii. Next season's *Of Land and Local* will include a partnership with Vermont State Parks, where guest artists will hold summer residencies.

- d. Melissa presented the new BCA Fall catalogue and statistics for upcoming classes & presented a short film made by Summer Filmmaking Institute students.
- e. Doreen will send to the board a summary of activities to take place during the 2015 Honfleur trip.

7. Education Space Developments

- a. A potential new education space is still in the early study stage. BCA's education programs are not being asked to move from Memorial Auditorium in the near future, but an analysis and discussion of what an expansion could look like are being explored.
- b. Rolf Kielman and Andrew Chardain presented to the board their work in identifying potential alternative education sites.

8. Other Business

- a. Billi Gosh stated on behalf of the BCA Board, "We recognize the loss to BCA, the greater Burlington community, and the entire state of Vermont with the death of Cheryl Hanna. She was an unyielding force for change. Her life was too short, but her legacy is long."

9. Meeting Adjourned at 5:10PM