

CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 10, 2010

Members Present: Su-Lin Carbonelli, Dorreth Cole, Jennifer Delmonico, Ife Gardin, Douglas Hausladen, Robert Parker, Aleta Staton, Janna Wagner. **Staff Present:** Barbara Lamb, Kim Futrell
Members Absent: Gabriela Campos-Matteson, Alderman Frances Clark, William Denby, Perkins Foss, Dean Sakamoto. **Guest:** Nghi Thai

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by J. Delmonico at 5:50 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Revisit upon a quorum

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Events: B. Lamb updated the membership on DCA's summer event planning.

Commission: Mark Potocsny, Nghi Thai and Ife Gardin have been approved by the BOA to join the commission.

Mayors Community Arts Grant Program: Information sessions are currently being conducted at library branches for prospective applicants. Applications are due June 3.

Percent for Art: The three artist proposals for the Hill Central School Percent for Art will be on display at the Wilson (Hill) Library the week of May 24 for review and vote by the public.

Project Storefronts: DCA is currently hosting a series of informational meetings about Project Storefronts in which artists and creative entrepreneurs can apply to utilize temporary vacant retail spaces in downtown and Fair Haven as negotiated by DCA. Three applications have been received to date.

New Haven Jazz Festival: DCA is providing marketing assistance to the 2010 New Haven Jazz Festival being produced by Jazz Haven. The festival will be held August 14 and August 21 on the New Haven Green.

New Haven Sister Cities: Su-Lin Carbonelli updated the commission about NHSC bike tour that will occur as part of the 2010 International Festival of Arts and Ideas on June 19. The bike tour will leave from Pitkin Plaza at 1pm and make stops around the city that have ties to various of New Haven's Sister Cities.

Other: D. Hausladen reported the Yale School of Nursing Healthy Neighbors Program mural painting project with Church Street South tenants will be held on Saturday, May 15 from 9am -4pm. The 75' x 10' mural will be created on panels.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES REVISITED

J. Delmonico called for a motion to approve the January – April, 2010 minutes. Motioned by B. Parker. Seconded by A. Station. Minutes unanimously passed.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Strategic Plan: Still on hold pending decision on the City budget.

DCA Newsletter: B.Parker shared the newsletter draft with members present. The quarterly newsletter will provide updates on DCA projects and services.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Other: There will be an arts fundraiser for Noble Barker, long-time Artistic Director of the New Haven Ballet who is dying of cancer. The event will be held Sunday, March 23 at the Shubert Theater at 3pm. DCA is working with city departments to create a basket of "New Haven" themed items.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JUNE 14 AT 5:45 PM AT CITY HALL.