

**Delaware Valley Arts Alliance
Board Meeting
Delaware Valley Arts Center
Narrowsburg, NY
August 9, 2018**

Attendees: Allison, J., Chergoitis, P., Dintiman, R. (Skype), Greene, H., Harrington, S., Hust, D., Kubinik, L., Kung, H., Mayer, P., Luchsinger, J., Meyerson, J., Owen, W., Phillips, L., Stevenson, N.
Executive Director: Ariel Shanberg

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:34PM by President Jeff Allison.

Board Chair Opening Remarks:

Jeff Allison congratulated everyone for a successful Riverfest, which yielded greater financial returns than previous years.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Wendy Owen and seconded by Liza Phillips to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Rebranding Committee Update:

Chair, Dan Hust reported that the committee will now reconsider one firm submission and review a new submission for the rebranding of DVAA. The review is set for the September committee meeting and once a firm is chosen the target date for completion is 9 months from the signing of the contract.

Director's Report: The Director's report is attached for review.

Of note:

- a. A meeting will be scheduled with the Sullivan County legislature to renegotiate the allocation of funds from the County dedicated to DVAA.
- b. Ariel has received positive feedback from NYSCA with regards to the DEC plan.
- c. Sean Harrington has accepted the position of Facilities Committee Chair.

Finance Report:

The attached report was reviewed. The financial report continues to be positive. The membership renewal campaign has raised \$3,875 in renewals. Last year at this time we only had \$800 reported in membership dues.

Committee Reports have been sent by email. Additional information is below:

Advocacy Committee Report- A short survey will accompany the invitation to arts organizations invited to the advocacy meeting. Ariel is in the process of writing a cover letter to accompany the invitation and securing a meeting venue in Hurleyville in September.

Executive Committee – nothing to report

Finance Committee – no additional information to report.

Fundraising/Membership:

- a. A discussion was had regarding Halloween event. The committee was asked to coordinate with the Tusten Youth Commission since they always have an event for Halloween as well.
- b. Janice Meyerson has offered to host a fund raising concert at her home.

Board Development: Nothing to report.

Facilities – will clean the front porch for the dedication of the building on September 8.

Program: Waiting for the new Performing Arts to Director to be hired before the committee restructures responsibilities. The new hire should be finalized within 2 weeks and the employee will work between 16-20 hours/week.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Kitchen refrigerator- a discussion was had as to the purchase of a full size refrigerator for the kitchen. It could be placed in the closet next to the current half size refrigerator. The consensus was to move ahead with the acquisition, perhaps as a donation.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Nancy Stevenson to adjourn the meeting at 7:45PM.

Jane Luchsinger
Secretary