Delaware Valley Arts Alliance Board of Directors Meeting Delaware Arts Center Narrowsburg, NY February 11, 2010

Attendees: Bidwell, B., Boudman, G., Hafkin, F., Kung, H., McClernon, R., Luchsinger, J., Hughes, M., Peck, A., Ahern, C., Giguere, E., Executive Director. Rocky Pinciotti, our gallery director, joined us for while.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by our President, Robin McClernon, at 6:40 PM.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of January 12, 2010 were read. A motion was made by Allison Peck to accept the minutes, and seconded by Hans Kung.

Committees Reports:

Fundraising – Elaine Giguere

A good portion of this meeting was devoted to the Arts Alive Kick-Off scheduled for the weekend of April 10, 2010. The lawn signs that have been silk-screened with our logo are ready for display, as are our ballot boxes that will be strategically placed in various locations within the county. Christine Ahern is maintaining a list of parties that will be held in conjunction with our "Savor the Arts" campaign. George Boudman is having his students make the buttons that will be handed out to all our party guests enabling them to join us for our Sunday Brunch, April 11, at the Arts Alliance free of charge. All other guests at the brunch will be charged \$10.00. George is also working on the bike for the spring raffle that will go on sale at the brunch, and the winner will be announced at our 5K walk in May. Jane Luchsinger will be our point person coordinating the food for the brunch. All the food will be prepared by our board members and their spouses. The costs incurred by the board members are a tax deductible donation to the Arts Alliance. In addition, there will be a silent auction at the brunch. Rocky Pinciotti, our gallery director, will continue to solicit various pieces of art for the auction. The minimum opening bid will be \$50.00, unless the artist prefers a larger amount. Christine Ahern suggested that we give the artists the option to donate a piece of work, or host a party. Bethel Woods has donated a director's tour for the silent auction.

Finance- George Boudman

Our 2009 audited financials have been filed. Catskill Regional Medical Center has renewed its corporate sponsorship for Riverfest in the amount of \$2500. The DVAA received a Presenting Program grant of \$3500.00 from the NYS Council on the Arts. Unfortunately, we are still awaiting the funds from the Stimulus grant, in the amount of \$10,000. Our year-long Arts Alive fund drive kick-offs, officially, in April, of this year. Our \$100,000.00 fundraising goal to sustain the arts will culminate with our 35th Anniversary Gala. Our previous year comparison reports are indicating a slight decrease in membership to date. The DVAA is moving along on making online membership readily available.

Facilities – Elaine Giguere

As per Rich O'Brien's notes, who was absent tonight, there will be lighting installed in the garage by Rick Maloney, and Rich will be putting up some peg board in the garage to help organize things a little more. Jen O'Neil, art teacher at Eldred Central School, will be teaching art for children, teens, and adults here at the center this coming summer, providing there is enough interest.

Program- Elaine Giguere

Programming is in the process of completing its spring and fall series at the Tusten theatre. Among those acts that have been booked are Jay Unger and Molly Mason, Tony Trischka and Frank Vignola and Laurel Masse a founding member of the Manhattan Transfer. The full line-up will be in our 2010 journal, due out in April.

Board Development - Elaine Giguere

Three of our current board members, whose terms expire this coming June will not be renewing their seat on the board. They are Michael Herko, Frann Hafkin and Alison Peck. The board is already working on recruiting new members to replace those that are leaving. A motion made by Jane Luchsinger, and seconded by George Boudman, was carried to have Gloria Krause's unexpired term filled by Troy Bystorm. The board will be looking for representation from the Northern and Eastern ends of the county.

Director's Report

See attached Director's Report dated February 11, 2010.

Old Business:

Margaret Hughes will be submitting proposals to John Ogozalek, Social Studies teacher at Sullivan West High School for his students to work on.

The deadline for our journal is fast approaching. Any board member who is selling ads should send the information to Tina@ArtsAllianceSite.org. The deadline is March 12. Hans Kung and Elaine Giguere will continue to review and revise the Editorials that will appear in this year's journal.

New Business:

The DVAA now has a Face book page.

Adjournment:

Jane Luchsinger moved to adjourn the meeting; Christine Ahearn seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

The next regular meeting will be March 11, 2010, at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Frann Hafkin