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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 19, 2020

**Board Member Present:** Gayle Asher, Harley Bartlett, Sarah Lucas, David Moore, Beverly Schirmeier, John Beatty, Emily Reynolds, Joan Wallace, Carrie Walters, Kim Sapia, Kathy Simmons (ex officio)

**Members Absent:** Del-Bourree Bach, Lisa DeFilippo, Lee Ruck, Paul Sellier, Serena Bates.

**Staff Present:** Laurie Pavlos, Jocelyn Zallinger, Elsbeth Dowd and Ann Chan

**Call to Order:** Emily called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm

**Minutes Review and Approval:** It was noted that the Gallery report should be reworded to change the phrase “six new Elected Artists are hanging” to “work by six new Elected Artists are hanging.” David made a motion to accept the minutes, with that change, Carrie seconded. All approved, motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report:** The treasurer’s report was presented and reviewed. The three pay periods in January caused payroll to exceed budget, and several classes were cancelled due to low enrollment, which has impacted education income. Other income has exceeded budget, so in total the report is good.

**Gallery Report:** Jocelyn reported all is going well. In January 39 pieces sold with the average price per piece at \$870. The juror for the next show, Yin & Yang, is Susan Fisher from Mystic Museum of Art. The next show is a combination of abstract art and realism.

**Development:** Elsbeth went over the grants mentioned in her written report. She gave an update on the Annual Fund amount thus far. Elsbeth has asked for 100 % board participation in the Annual Fund, and thank you to all who have contributed already.

Elsbeth asked for a motion to approve the resolution (provided by the state) that Laurie be able to sign for the Connecticut Office of the Arts Grant contract. David made the motion, John seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

**Building and Grounds:** Harley reported that Laurie has found a new roofer for our leaking roof. Parady Roofing will be making repairs where needed, primarily in the flashing between the roof and skylights. There is also a toilet in one of the men’s bathrooms that is out of order.

**Education and Activities:** Laurie reported that there are 4 lectures scheduled for April and May, with 2 board members, Harley and Sara, giving lectures. Workshops are filling steadily. Lyme Art Academy is holding landscape classes this summer, which may impact our landscape workshop enrollment.



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Laurie has put together a 2021 celebration of 100 years, task force, that will be meeting for the first time on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Beverly asked if something was being planned in memory for Lou Bonamarte, who recently passed away. Jocelyn said that his son is coordinating the planning which will be a viewing of his work here. It will basically be his memorial service. It is his son who is determining what the day will be. It is currently scheduled for Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020. It will be one gallery, just one afternoon, with only work that the family has in their possession.

**Strategic Planning Task Force:** Emily reported that the task force met right before this board meeting. They are going to plan some surveys with the goal being to have completed a strategic plan by the Annual meeting in October. This strategic plan will make up goals and objectives that will be our guiding force for areas that we want to grow and develop for the next 5 years or so. The hope is that the survey will lead to some focus groups that we will be conducting.

**Nominating Committee:** Kathy stated that she and Laurie met with one potential member, but has not yet heard back from him, so she has nothing more than that to report right now.

**Other Business:** If any board member has not yet filled out their non-disclosure form, could they please do that soon. Laurie emailed it to everyone. Also, the Art Expo is scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup> and it is fully subscribed with 12 vendors.

**Adjournment of Meeting:** Sarah made the motion for adjournment. Harley seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 4:41 pm.

*The next meeting is Wednesday March 18, 2020 at 4 pm.*