

Art Committee Minutes

November 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Susan Blumberg-Kason, Co-Chair; Kristin McDaniel, Co- Chair; Vicky Bush-Joseph; Margaret Carsello-Chiappetta; Cheryl Postrozny, Johanna Delaney, Kathleen Wilson, Karen Kleckner Keefe,

Executive Director

Absent: Pam White

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

On a motion by Johanna Delaney and seconded by Kathleen Wilson, the Art Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the previous meetings.

Susan Blumberg-Kason introduced Cheryl Postrozny, a Hinsdale resident and artist. Susan has proposed Cheryl for membership on the Art Committee.

Margaret Carsello-Chiappetta asked that the committee also consider another Hinsdale resident and artist, Niema Qureshi.

As chairs of the Art Committee, Blumberg-Kason and Kristin McDaniel will discuss the role in more detail with both artists and appoint them to the Committee, if they are still interested.

McDaniel recommended that the Committee present a spring and winter exhibit and have 4-6 meetings in the next year. The Committee discussed previous exhibit and meeting schedules.

McDaniel proposed that the winter 2018 exhibit feature work from After Supper Visions. The committee discussed how the exhibit would be curated and displayed. She will arrange a walk-through of the space with one of the organizers and propose a date for a reception.

Carsello-Chiappetta told the committee that she had a new body of work she would be interested in displaying at the Library, inspired by the year she spent teaching in China. Blumberg-Kason suggested that it could be exhibited in the fall and tie in with the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival.

The committee discussed the applications to exhibit that they have received. They decided that Jane Walker's works were not the right fit at this time. Carsello-Chiappetta will contact Jolanta Soares regarding a spring exhibit of her encaustic work. The Committee would like more information on the size of Terry Walsh's work.

Carsello-Chiappetta recommended the Chicago Artists Coalition as a place to advertise for exhibitors. She also suggested that the Art Committee have more of a presence on social media, especially Instagram.

The committee agreed to accept a painting by previous exhibitor Darcy Zoells that was donated by a patron. Karen Keefe will work with the Library's Youth Services staff to identify a good place to hang it.

The committee agreed that the tapestry offered by Bill Zaleski did not meet the Art Policy's collection development criteria and would be declined.

Carsello-Chiappetta recommended that Kathleen Waterloo and Celeste Rapone be added to the list of artists considered for collection development.

Johanna Delaney reminded the committee that a future discussion of collection development should also include a discussion of fundraising.

Delaney and Vicky Bush-Joseph told the committee about the opening reception they attended for an installation that Barbara Cooper did at Barrington Area Library. The project is an example of a public-private partnership facilitated by Christine Esposito from Terracom Public Relations. The committee agreed that Delaney should follow up with Esposito to learn more about opportunities available for Hinsdale Public Library.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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