

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance
Board Meeting
March 14, 2013

Attending: Elizabeth Kubenik, Anne Hart, Robin McClernon, Liza Phillips, Hester Greene, Hans Kung, Bruce Bidwell, Jane Luchsinger, Karen Bliss, and Richard O'Brien

Also attending: Elaine Giguere

1. Approval of minutes from December 2012 and February 2013 by unanimous vote.
2. Review of Financial Report; the reports were distributed prior to the meeting.
 - NYSCA contracts have been submitted but no funds have been received yet.
 - Business sponsorships and program ads are currently at \$17,500.
3. Executive Directors Report: The executive director's report was distributed prior to the meeting.
 - Membership is currently at 317 paid memberships.
 - There may be a NYS Legislative grant available for us; estimated to be no more than \$5,000.
 - Ellen Cibula's Gallery opening will be on March 23rd.
 - Sullivan ARC's "Expressions 2013" will remain in the Loft Gallery until March 30. "The Collector of Bedford Street" documentary was well attended.
 - The Salon Series had a successful opening; the second concert was not as well attended. 2 more follow this Sunday (3/17) and next Sunday (3/23).
 - Savor the Arts kicks off April 20th; "Vishten", an Acadian band, will be in the theater on April 21st at 2pm. Fundraising is planning a luncheon in the Town Hall before the concert.
 - Elaine is looking at some new grants. The Dreyfus Foundation offers grants for general operations; another River Corridor Main Street grant may be available to repair the Park Service façade and paint the porch roof and posts.
4. New Business:
 - The Farmer's Markets will be starting up again soon.
 - The High Tea is scheduled for May 5th.
5. Robin gave an update of the Program Committee's work.
 - A comedy show was suggested but it is an expensive program for us to undertake with an unknown audience.
 - Additional programs in the Krause Recital Hall are planned; these will include "Meet the Artist", "Meet the Composer", etc.
 - The spring series includes Gypsy Jazz Quintet (5/4); Stacy Earle & Mark Stuart (5/11); and, David Driver (6/1).
 - A question about renting the theatre was asked; it is advertised in the ArtsLetter and most parties interested want to negotiate the cost downward.
6. Hester gave an update of the Membership Committee's work
 - We will need a new brochure and letter for the June renewals.
 - Membership Cards
7. Liza announced the plan for a "Working Spaces" fundraiser, May 25th to June 8th.
8. The Facilities Committee reported it had reviewed the draft drawings for the 3rd and 4th floors. The drawings were made available at the meeting for the rest of the Board to review. The consensus was to combine 2 of the schemes and eliminate the building outside of the current footprint.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Kubenik