

Somers Cultural Commission Minutes

March 11, 2013 .

Present: Linda Abbott, Nancy Barbosa, Jackie Haas, Bob Hall, Jay Hutton, Kate Hutton, Janice Steinmetz, Ruthie Sutton

Secretary's Report: The report was accepted with corrected dates for the 2014 Piedmont Percolator events.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer was accepted as presented

Correspondence:

- Linda has been receiving various emails from individuals wanting to participate in the Piedmont Percolator and other events

New Member:

- Linda welcomed Jackie Haas, a new member of the cultural commission

Subcommittee Reports:

Piedmont Art Show

- The Art Show Subcommittee will meet again in April

Piedmont Percolator (Linda Abbott)

- We had a full house for our March event.
- Linda presented a list of performers for the 2013-2014 season.
- Next seasons dates will be 10/13/13, 11/10/13, 12/08/13, 1/13/14, 2/09/14, 3/06/14 and 4/13/14

Photography Show

- The show will run from April 26th to May 5th
- The commission made the decision to close on Monday and Tuesday due to a past history of few attendees those days.
- Janice will need someone on April 20th from 11:00AM to 3:00PM to accept photos.
- The reception is on April 26th from 7:00PM to 9:00PM with us setting up beginning at 5:00PM. We need food donated.
- Janice passed around a sitters sheet with available days and the commission members present began selecting dates.
- Linda will send a note to the town asking that the tables and chairs be removed and the walls set up.
- Bob Hall will contact the school to have two of the platforms removed.
- The dates for the 2014 Photography show will be April 25 to May 4, 2014

2013 Fall Activity (Jay & Kate Hutton)

- Jay met with the Town Clerk to discuss using the property on Battle Street for a scarecrow contest. She recommended that we inform the Senior Center of our proposed activity. We also need to notify the town if food is involved.
- The people that register will get a frame to decorate at home.
- Discussed options including food, music, cider donuts, pumpkins and a cider press.
- Recommended October 19th as the day for set-up and have them displayed for a week.
- Kate will develop a logistics sheet.

New Business

Web Site (Jay Hutton)

- Jay set up a staging site at somerscultural.org
- Will upload the new design to SomersCultural.com this week
- Will start populating it with information this week.

2013 Scholarship (Bob Hall)

- Bob delivered the Scholarship form to the High School prior to March 1st.
- Bob will pick up the applications and art on Monday April 8th and deliver it to Linda Abbott.
- Several members volunteered to participate in the review of the applications and art.

New Member

- Kyle Charette has been added as a member to our commission.
- Dee Moak submitted her resignation.

Another Art Show

- Olof Aspelin wants to do an Art Show in July or August.
- The show will involve 20 artists and they will need the panels set up.
- The members agreed to present the show if it did not conflict with another event.

Purchase signs for Piedmont Percolator

- Linda requested approval for 6 more signs for the Piedmont Percolator.
- Some of the signs have been damaged or lost from use.
- Motion: Approved

Purchase 2ea 2ft dividers for the art show

- Linda requested approval for the purchase of 2ea 2ft dividers
- The dividers are needed to completely hide the tables and it will give us more space to hang art.
- Motion: Approved

Calendar Printing

- Need new calendars by April 25th so we can begin handing them out at the photography show
- Add the web site address and a contact number to the calendar

Electric piano for Piedmont Hall

- We would like to attract classical music to the Piedmont Percolator and one instrument they need is a piano.
- We will evaluate the cost of an electric piano.

Next meeting: **April 08, 2013**

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Hall