East Windsor Arts and Culture Meeting Minutes

6/13/23 Park Hill Community Center

These minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting

I. Call to Order/Attendance

Debbie called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and committee members in attendance were Sharon Aprea, Bernie Duffy, Christina Posniak, Debbie Williams, and Russell Williams. Jeff Holcombe was also present.

II. Approval of minutes of 5/9/23 meeting

Debbie confirmed with the group that members had a chance to review the minutes from the May 9, 2023, meeting. She further asked if there was any discussion. Russell Williams made a motion to approve the minutes and Christina Posniak seconded; the meeting minutes were approved.

III. Arts and Culture Day post-event discussion

We discussed this very successful event as a group. We agreed that if the weather had been better, we would have had an even better turnout! Next year we will consider more food.

IV. Budget

We discussed each of the budget items before bringing forward to approve. Bernie Duffy made a motion to approve the following budget items and Sharon Aprea seconded, the budget was approved.

Amazon gift card prizes for the photo	
contest	\$475.00
Custom ink tee shirt for Jeff Holcombe	\$50.63
Big Y Arts and Culture Day supplies	\$66.26
Mango Lassis from Utsav	\$161.03
Egg rolls from Jimmy Chens	\$75.00
Hummus from Villa of Lebanon	\$125.00
Twine and Zip ties from Harbor Freight for	
project graduation boards	\$6.36
Selfie board supplies from Michael's	\$63.24
Donation to Broad Brook Center for the	
Arts	\$315.00
Taxes on mural supplies for Sharon Aprea	\$30.00
Carrying case for EW Arts & Culture banner	\$30.00
Mural frame	\$150.00
up to \$200 for supplies for National Night	
Out project	\$200.00
Home Depot for graduation project supplies	\$77.45

TOTAL \$1,824.97

The money will come from our general fund until we zero out and then it will come from our grant money.

V. On-going projects

a. Photography contest

Each of the winners received their gift cards.

b. Collaboration with AHRC

Debbie and Russell brought in the Bard owl carving. This owl will be on display at the National Night Out and there will be a contest to name the owl.

c. Collaboration with Trolley Museum/BB Center for Arts

The project is wrapping up for the summer.

d. Collaboration with Soccer Club/HS

This project is on hold; none of the students contacted us back to begin the project. We may be able to get a group over the summer or we will need to resume when the school year starts back up. The Soccer club would like the students to do the painting.

e. EWHS projects

Debbie showed an example of the graduation boards.

f. BBES projects

The painted rocks are on display currently until they are placed outside. Sharon is working on the mural; she is waiting to hear back from Linda. Sharon would like to get help from Linda. Sharon shared that the mural paints are very vibrant.

VI. New Projects

a. **Ideas for GTCF grant?** Over the next two meetings we can decide what we might want to apply for funding; proposals are due in September.

b. Ideas for NNO?

c. **Ideas for future projects?** Debbie proposed an idea to paint the crosswalks in front of Main Fish market where there are 4 crosswalks. We agreed to discuss it at the next meeting.

VII. Communication

- a. Lindsay Vigue, Courtney Kataja, Jason Bowsza
- b. Jared Welcome
- c. Kat McClelland
- d. Khamp Phimvongsa
- e. Allison Anderson, Ilir Rushiti
- f. Laura Foxx

VIII. Public Participation

IX. Adjourn

Debbie adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Christina Posniak, East Windsor Arts and Culture Committee Recording Secretary