

Village of Mamaroneck Arts Council
Final MEETING MINUTES

The Regatta
Thursday, November 2, 2023

Attendees:

- Members: Marina Kiriakou, Piper Stevens, Karla Aber, Astrid Arias, Elizabeth O'Rourke, Cristina Lerchen, Michael Norberto, Jane Sable-Friedman, Melinda Buie
- Volunteers: Robin Campbell, Joycemarie Washburn, Jane Dorian, Solange De Santis
- Trustee Liaison: Nora Lucas

Opening Protocol:

- Meeting was called to order at 7:14 by O'Rourke, seconded by Buie.
- Lerchen made a motion to approve October's minutes with no changes. O'Rourke seconded the motion to approve.

Arts Council Leadership:

- Lerchen and O'Rourke will co-chair the Arts Council starting in January 2025.

Hispanic Heritage Festival:

- Successful craft table that appealed to a variety of age groups. Children made tissue paper crowns and stones with symbols – both crafts linked back to prominent Hispanic artists and art forms.

Mamaroneck Film Festival:

- Film Festival will take place in 2025. A non-profit entity will be set-up to manage the finances and logistics.

Candlelight Concerts:

- Tami Burks from St. Thomas is open to using the space for a winter concert event/series.
- O'Rourke and Lerchen suggested contacting Rock and Roll Playhouse to inquire about interest/availability for a show that appeals to both kids and adults
- Sub-committee was formed to discuss further: O'Rourke, Aber, Dorian, Campbell, Norberto, De Santis

Flower Arrangement Demonstration:

- Tues, Nov 14 at 11 AM at Mamaroneck Library
- Arts Council is sponsoring the event

Poetry Reading:

- O'Rourke suggested Arts Council sponsor an event at Mamaroneck Library for local poet with a newly published chat book, *First Father* (M. Higbee)

Regatta Lobby Art Work

- Suggestion for changing the artwork quarterly where we call to the community for art or artifacts based on a timely topic/theme (e.g. children's art, pet art, etc).

Poetry Live 2024:

- Potential for Fox Lane to digitally record poetry readings to be played during the event (they are on vacation during the planned 2024 event date).

Craft Fair:

- No holiday craft fair will take place in 2024.
- Arts Council will pursue coordinating a Craft and Artisan Fair in Spring 2024.

JoyceMarie Washburn

- O'Rourke is in touch with the Library team in regards to potential timing to display a series of Washburn's artwork.

Closing Protocol:

- Buie motioned to close the meeting at 7:59 pm and O'Rourke seconded.
- The next meeting is Tuesday, November 28 at The Regatta.