



**Cromwell Arts Alliance**

**MEETING**

**Monday, March 7, 2022**

**6:00 pm**

**Virtual Meeting – Zoom info below**

**(Phone number: 1 646 558-8656, Meeting ID: 998 0261 9219, Password: 990451)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** Rosemary Matus, Marjorie Lemmon, Kim Pier, Ann Grasso, Karen Allen, Danielle Tencza, James Demetriades, Paula Emanuele

**I. Call to order**

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm

**II. Approval of agenda**

Rosemary M., moved to add 2 topics to the agenda: 1. Time and date of our monthly meeting, 2. Photo Contest. Motion to approve the amended agenda made by Danielle T., seconded by Karen A., motion carried.

**III. Approval of minutes from the meeting on February 7, 2022**

Motion to approve the minutes from the February 7, 2021 made by Rosemary M., seconded by Ann G., motion carried.

**IV. Public comments**

Kim Pier introduced herself, she is a resident of Cromwell and a parent of 2 children that are very involved in the arts.

**V. Financial report**

Since last report we renewed our insurance for \$395 and placed an ad for the CHS play \$60. We received an amazon smiles donation for the last quarter of \$32.18, also received the town allocation of \$1,000. Our current balance is \$3,492.04.

Danielle T. filed our 2021 tax forms. She also set up PayPal on our website for the March craft night. We will also support the CMS production with a half page ad. This will be reflected in next month's report.

**VI. All other business**

- a. **CCD Report** – virtual coffee house premier on Friday. Will go live in the next week. Paint by number mural is started. Town council meeting this week discussion on reallocation of funds to do a study for a community center project. LGBTQ committee is trying to do a “show your pride” art installation, James will provide additional information at our April meeting. Ann G., asked to add the rock hunt to next month's agenda.

- b. **CCT Updates** – James D., provided an update in Wendy’s absence. CCT is still looking to partner with the LGBTQ committee to put on a show, however due to budgetary constraints this has been postponed to the fall (maybe October).
- c. **Scholarships** – All the forms are finalized. Danielle will send them out this week so folks can start to reach out to the community contacts. Paula will upload the forms to the website.
- d. **Social Media/website** – Facebook event for the March craft workshop was created. Marje L., will promote the craft event. Posted SASH event

**VII. 2022 Events**

- a. **Traveling Bear Update** – Benjamin Cantwell was the winner of the raffle. He was ecstatic to receive a Tallman’s gift certificate. We will look to have the traveling bear at the middle school production of Matilda. Then will look for another location after that.
  - b. **Quarterly Craft event** – Marje L., will reach out to first congregational (Pastor Doug contact info will be sent by Ann G) to make sure someone will be there to open the doors. We will also let them know we will send in a donation in the mail. We will figure out how much after the event.
  - c. **Poetry Night (potentially in April)** – This event will not happen in April as expected. Paula E., will reach out to the library (need to make new contact) and determine if a collaboration is still possible and if we can use a room at the library. Paula E., will provide an update in our next meeting
  - d. **Others – Photo Contest** – Per discussion with Rosemary M., after the meeting- she had a suggestion from Richard Donohue, to partner with the Cromwell Cemetery Association and sponsor a photo contest that highlights our town cemeteries. She will discuss additional information at our next meeting
- CAA meeting day and time** – there was some discussion about moving our meeting from the first Monday of the month to another day as well as starting the meeting at 7pm. Folks seemed amiable to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. Paula E., will inquire what the protocol would be to switch days. We also want to take into consideration that starting in April we have a physical location at town hall to hold our meeting in person. This would also need to be changed. The executive board will discuss further.

**VIII. Public Comments – agenda items only**

None

**IX. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made by Danielle T., seconded by Marje L., meeting adjourned at 6:44 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Paula Emanuele

**2022 Meeting Dates:**

Starting in April our meetings will be held in person in the Senior Center Dining Room (at Cromwell Town Hall), we will also continue to have an open zoom conference for those wishing to join virtually.

<del>January 3</del>	<del>April 4</del>	<del>*July 11</del>	<del>October 3</del>
<del>February 7</del>	<del>May 2</del>	<del>August 1</del>	<del>November 7</del>
<del>March 7</del>	<del>June 6</del>	<del>*September 12</del>	<del>December 5</del>

\*Meeting held on the second Monday of the month due to Holiday