



Cromwell Arts Alliance

MEETING

Monday, May 2, 2022

6:00 pm

Cromwell Town Hall - Senior Center Dining Room

Virtual Meeting – Zoom info below

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

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Rosemary Matus, Marje Lemon, James Demetriades, Danielle Tencza, Paula Emanuele, Karen Allen, Anne Grasso, Sage Chapman, Jay Van Schelt, Kat Porter

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm

II. Approval of agenda

Rosemary added Chalk Walk and a text from Nicole Mendoza regarding a craft. Motion to approve amended agenda made by Danielle T, seconded by Karen A

III. Approval of minutes from the meeting on April 11, 2022

Motion to approve the minutes from April 11 made by Daniele T and seconded by James D.

IV. Public comments

Sage opened the Intuition Art Collective in the train station. She is a tattoo artist. Half the space will be the tattoo parlor and the other half will be a gallery. Sage lives in Marlboro
Kat Porter is managing the art gallery side. She paints and does mixed media, and many other forms

Jay Schelt is a glass artist, he got involved to assist Kat with making beads. He has a glass studio in the caboose of the Intuition Art Collective. Live in Bristol

V. Financial report

Sent a \$50 donation to first congregational church for the paper craft night. Checked with bank and the stale check timing. The bank confirmed it is 6 months. This has now expired so Daniele T added the \$25 back into the account. Current balance \$3,340.12

VI. All other business

- a. **CCD Report** – very busy, the rock hunt has started. There are 211 rocks hidden away. Accepting selfies through May 14th and prizes will be awarded. Mystery Mural is picking up steam and looking forward to more. Next paint night is partner with the yoga studio Peaceful Chaos. Sign ups will need to go through the yoga studio. Block Party planning is

underway. Seeking volunteers to help with the coordinating efforts and also looking forward for CAA to host a booth again this year. Birdies for Charity is open right now. Webster bank matches 15%. The historical audio tour is underway, there are 4 recording left. Looking forward to a release soon. Looking to do a Parking Lot mural in the Mitchell's parking lot and or Frisbee landing, this will be for all non-profits in town.

- b. **CCT Updates** – LGBTQ committee is fundraising for the next couple months, based on the money raised it will be put into the Laramie Project production. Dates in September have been held at Cromwell High school.
- c. **Scholarships** – 4 applications received. They were saved in the dropbox folder for 2022. Decisions should be made by middle of May and will get back to the participants by June 1. We are looking to present the awards in person this year, if at all possible. Will try to do it at one of our monthly meetings.
- d. **Social Media/website** – the website still has CCD listed as a division still, Paula E will make the update. Marje L. continues to post on a weekly basis on Instagram and Facebook

VII. 2022 Events

- a. **Traveling Bear Update** – no pictures of the traveling bear from the CMS production. The bear is currently at Freddy's Pizza. We are looking forward to pictures. Sage mentioned she would be happy to host the CAA Bear in the future. We may also have the Bear back at Tallman's since it was such a hit last summer.
- b. **Memorial Day Parade** – CAA will march in the Memorial parade on Monday 5/30 at 6 pm. Rosemary M. secured an antique car and driver. Looking for others to march with us.
- c. **LGBTQ Art Show** – Rosemary reached out to Matt to say that we are happy to help in a small way and to contact Rosemary with additional information. The pieces of art do not need to be pride oriented, but it would be great if they are. Sage stated she will be willing to provide some art for the show.
- d. **Photo Contest** – the committee will meet this month to discuss the concept of a photo contest that could be done multiple times a year (with different topics). The first contest will be based on Hillside Cemetery. The committee will develop a marketing strategy and provide an update at our next monthly meeting.
- e. **Poetry Night** – Since there are so many activities planed over the next few months, Paula will start looking for a September date to hold the poetry night. She will provide an update at next month's meeting
- f. **Farmer's Market** – We will not be participating on a regular basis this year. We will look to potentially have a booth once or twice over the season.
- g. **Chalk the Walk** – the children's librarian asked for the CAA to support this event. Rosemary will provide additional information. Dates are possibly 7/5 or 7/20 during the day. Rosemary spoke with the library coordinator to get a new CAA liaison; we should have a new representative by our next meeting.
- h. **Text from Nicole Mendoza** – she is a chalk artist and does workshops. Rosemary will send her the information for our meetings. Hope to see her at our upcoming meetings
- i. **Others** - none

VIII. Public Comments – agenda items only

None

IX. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Danielle T , seconded by Karen A., meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Paula Emanuele

2022 Meeting Dates:

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.

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

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