



Cromwell Arts Alliance

MEETING

Monday, July 11, 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)

Attendees: Rosemary Matus, Danielle Tencza, Paula Emanuele, Ann Grasso, Lindsey Daniele, Megan Camilleri, Terri Camilleri, Robak Family

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

II. Approval of agenda

Paula proposed adding discussion on moving August meeting due to vacations (propose 8/8). Motion to approve amended agenda made by Daniele T, seconded by Ann G, motion carried.

III. Approval of minutes from the meeting on June 6, 2022

Motion to approve the minutes from June 6, 2022 made by Rosemary M, seconded by Paula E, motion carried.

IV. CAA Scholarship Awards

Scholarships were awarded to this year's recipients. Angela Robak 10 years old, will use the scholarship funds for singing and piano lessons with Richard Donohue. Megan Camilleri a music education student at University of Hartford will use the scholarship funds towards clarinet lessons. CAA will announce the scholarship winners in the Cromwell Chronicle and Rare reminder. We will also update our website.

V. Public comments

No comments, we provided an overview of our organization.

VI. Financial report

Scholarships checks outgoing. Current balance is \$ 2,363.05.

VII. All other business

- a. **CCD Report** – Summer fest is around the corner July 30th over 60 vendors in the park, a professional music master of ceremony, bands and food trucks. There is a sign up for relay and obstacle course event this is for the younger kids. The community foundation

of Middlesex County offered a popup grant of \$250. CCD is on the agenda for the town meeting on July 13, requesting the first right first of refusal to use the building. There is STEAP grant available for towns that have shovel ready projects. they have provided a packet to the committee and support from the community other. This is not just for CCD but to all non-profits in town. Audio tour is still in progress still need 2 more recordings. Scarecrows are coming in the fall.

- b. **CCT Updates** – no updates
- c. **Social Media/website** – Paula will update the website with the scholarship winners.
- d. **Moving August meeting** – with summer vacations we will not have a quorum for our August meeting. Paula will move the meeting out 1 week to 8/8

VIII. CAA Events

- a. **Traveling Bear Update** – has left Freddy’s pizza. Rosemary will try to get the Bear out to a new location. Some suggestions were: Tony flower shop downtown, Cromwell dinner, Jefferson Fries.
- b. **Autumn Craft/Art Event** – Nicole Mendoza is still interested in hosting an event. Rosemary will follow up. Danielle also mentioned she could look into offering some type of class at the studio.
- c. **Poetry Event** – Paula is waiting to hear from the library on possible dates in late September early October. This will be a joint event between CAA and the library. Once the dates are settled Paula will start reaching out and advertising the event.
- d. **Others** – Discussed scheduling a planning session in early fall to brainstorm a calendar of events that we can plan for and advertise on our website for 2023.

IX. Community Events

- a. **CCD Summer Fest** – Unfortunately CAA will not have a booth at the event this year. CAA executive board will discuss a monetary donation in lieu of our participation.
- b. **7/13 Town Council Meeting** - CAA offered letters of support and Rosemary will attend the meeting and read our letter of support.
- c. **Others – Chalk the Walk** – Rosemary assisted with this event. It was a fun afternoon geared toward younger children. There was good attendance and the sidewalk outside the library was used by the “young artists”.

X. Public Comments – agenda items only

None

XI. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Daniele t, seconded by Paula E, meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Paula Emanuele

2022 Meeting Dates:

Starting in May our meetings will be help 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