

**Georgina Arts Centre & Gallery
Board Meeting
August 20th, 2019, 5:20pm
Minutes taken by Joan Tadler**

PRESENT: Bill Major, Anita David, Meghan Mckinzey, Piri Pandey, Candace Parlette, Grant Peckford, Elizabeth Dobson, Ed Winacott, Joan Tadler, (Guest for the Debrief Cathi Shanaham).

REGRETS: Dave Neeson, Michelle Richards-Clermont, Dan Buttineau

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Bill Major at 5:20pm
2. **CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
Nothing to declare at this meeting
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
Mover: Piri Pandey **Seconded:** Antia David
4. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE LAST MEETING MINUTES:** The board reviewed and accepted the minutes for the June 17th, 2019 Board Meeting.
MOTION to accept the June 17th, 2019 Minutes
Mover: Piri Pandey **Seconded:** Anita David
All in favour – Carried
5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES:**

Art in the Park - Gala Debrief - Pros and Cons were discussed. Breakdown and suggestions were made for our next fundraising event.

Approval of Audit for 2018 - Meaghan Mckinzey gave an overview of the 2018 Audit.
MOTION to approve the 2018 Audit
Mover: Meaghan Mckinzey **Seconded:** Ed Winacott
All in favour – Carried

Relocation updates: ACTION: Grant will reach out to Lawrence Artin, Project Lead on the MURC and Civic Centre projects to schedule a meeting.

Website update: Still being worked on.

Magna Needs: Grant to follow up to see if people have a ride to Magna on September 14th, 2019.

Open Mic: Ed Winacott advised that Open Mic will continue to take place again on the 4th Sunday of every month, starting in September!

NEW BUSINESS:

Executive Director's Report – Grant provided his report, which was accepted by the Board. Grant is looking at the possibility of having Christmas with Santa again this year. Grant is planning the reveal of our newly renovated basement on Feb. 5th, 2020 @ 7:30am.

Christmas Hours –

MOTION: to move that the gallery be closed on December 24th and 27th for the holidays!

Mover: Meaghan Mckinzey **Seconded:** Anita David
All in favour – Carried

Joan Tadler

Gala Debrief - Walk in the Park held at the Briars - July 27th, 2019

- Great attendance - Lots of new faces who are now aware of our Gallery!
- We have a great gift shop that people are not aware of.
- The meal and service were excellent.
- People were excited to be able to pick and take home a painting.
- Cathi Shanahan suggested selecting the paintings was a good idea but she suggested that next time a different system of selecting the paintings be arranged.
- The acts could have been a little shorter or spread out.
- Cathi thinks that people liked that it was not a formal gala and they were free to wear more casual clothing!
- Candace –to her it was a sign of expansion and growth for our gallery
- We made many new connections and also reconnected with people that have stopped visiting our gallery.
- Great to have the support of the members of council attending, and especially that the new council members were exposed to our gallery.

BREAKDOWN/SUGGESTIONS:

- Seating was a problem – too many people.
- Should have a large welcome table. Everyone should have a ticket with a table number. This way you will be able to pre-seat everyone. In future people may book a table for their group!
- Another system is needed to pick the artwork. They all should have a number to select the artwork! An announcement then be made that people with the numbers from 1-10 select an art piece, 11 to 20 etc. Possibly do this during the cocktail hour! We have to start collecting the art pieces a year ahead for the next event. Have a “lets get together night and paint”!
- Cathi suggested that we get more sponsorship from people that want to be part of it and have it at a larger venue! Cathi also suggest Clearwater Farms might be a better venue that has more space.
- We could then run our own bar (possibly 2 or 3 bars for 160 people) and make a lot more money.
- Piri's contacts suggest that we continue holding it at the Briar's with the same theme because people like it there. Everyone looks at it as a classy place to hold an event and it is local.
- **Entertainment** – Harpist could not be heard indoors so was moved outdoors which was better. The entertainment after the dinner was much too long. Suggest that the last group that sang would have been better if they sang outdoors during the cocktail hours. Spread the entertainment out!
- Cathi noticed that we did not give enough recognition to some of our sponsors, and some of the smaller sponsors. We had a banner listing the sponsors– but obviously not everyone noticed it. Bill said he thought there was going to be more promotion for the sponsors. Thank you cards were sent out to the sponsors.

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Treasurer's Report – Meaghan provided us with an overview of her report, which was accepted by the Board. Refer to her report.

Requests to the Town for 2020 – ACTION Grant to set up an appointment with Dan Buttineau.

AGM is planned for October 22nd @ 7pm following the monthly Board Meeting

One new Board Members is needed, plus one student member. Come in with possible names to our next board meeting. We need to reach out to Sheila Dobson to see if she is able to suggest a student to be on the board.

Elisabeth Dobson - Thank you to Elizabeth Dobson who has been a non-voting student member of our Board of Directors for the last three years! It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team! Today is her last meeting, as she heads off to University! We are interested in having another student become a member of our board.

- Future Board Meetings -**
- **September 16th, 2019 @ 5:15pm**
 - **October 22th, 2019 @ 5:15pm followed by the AGM at 7pm**
 - **November 18th, 2019 @ 5:15pm**
 - **No date set for December**

Meeting adjourned 7:50pm All in favour