

Northeastern CT Art Guild Inc

Annual Members Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2024,

Putnam Town Hall, 200 School St, Room #112

5:30-6 Social Half Hour; Mee9ng 6-8pm

I Call to Order :Attendance: Carmine Angeloni, Jean Arcand, Jennifer Atwood, Jay Bartholomew, Jen Bullen, Anne Causey, Julie Caprera, Allison Ciarlante, Renee Gagnon, Beth Gentile, Cecelia Giella, Beth Johnston, Angela Kasper, Kendra Malizia, Anna Mancini, Adele Karbowski [guest], Joyce Chaffer {guest}, Alla Markelova, Karen Mcfarlin, Cheryl Neumann, Philippa Paquette, Paula Pauley, Jeffrey Payette, Theresa Rzepa, Joyce Schaeffer, Elaine Turner, Steve Veilleux

President Julie Caprera called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She welcomed Joyce Schaeffer, who has re-joined after being away for 12 years. Also welcomed Adele Karbowski who is also considering re-joining.

II. Approval of Minutes from Mar. 14, 2024 meeting: Elaine Turner made a motion to accept, and it was seconded by Cecelia Giella.

III. Open Business

A) Treasurer's Report—Renee Gagnon: The checking account has \$12,689.59, Paypal has 0, and Stripe has \$1,196.19. Membership currently stands at 80. B) Website Report—Stripe Payment System--Renee Gagnon: a new method of paying on the website is working out very well. C) Community Liaison Report—Info in Monday Updates D) President's Report—Julie Caprera :Julie thanked the new members of our Board of Directors.

E) Classes—Info in Monday Updates

F) Exhibits—Info in Monday Updates—Newest exhibit is at the Vanilla Bean Cafe. Drop off is on April 30th, and strike date is Tuesday May 28th, which is the day after Memorial Day. Approximately 50 artists can participate, and Vanilla Bean does not take a commission.

Recent sales: There were 8 sales at Heirloom Cafe. Also Jeff Payette sold at Arts and Framing.

G) Other Opportunities:

1) Taylor Brook Winery Event May 18, 2024—Alison Ciarlante. Event is currently full. 2) Putnam Fine Arts & Crafts Fair, June 22-23, 2024—Beth Johnston reports that 70 people have been accepted as vendors, with many from the Art Guild. 3. The Art Heist Putnam: 22 of 47 entries were from the Guild. 4. Putnam Farmers Market: Once a month Guild can participate. 10% of sales goes to the Art Guild but tables are free. Alison Ciarlante coordinates. 5. Duck raffle tickets will again be available at \$5. 10% of sales goes to the Guild. This is a big fundraiser for the Putnam Business Association. 6. Art Guild membership cards are in the works.

V. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the business part of the meeting was made by Renee Gagnon and seconded by Karen Mcfarlin at 6:40 p.m.

Program:

“A TAPestry of Resilience: Transforming Pain into Art with Tape”, Kendra Malizia; “Juried Art Exhibit Application--A Step by Step Guide”, Beth Johnston.