

POCONO MOUNTAIN ARTS COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEMBERS MEETING –November 12, 2018

Attendance: Jay & Mary Ann Paulukonis, Karen Avery, Vada Dale, Stephani Spotts, Donna Israel, Nancy Pitcher, Louise Reeves, Paul (Skip) Hensley, Brigitte Lane, Lenni Gritz, , Louise & Charles Rauch.
Meeting called to order by President Nancy Pitcher and we all participated in saluting the flag.

- Motion to accept October minutes as posted on website made by Karen Avery, and second by Paul (Skip) Hensley.
- Treasurer, Paul (Skip) Hensley presented the Treasurers Report. Motion to accept made by Jay Paulukonis and second by Vada Dale.
- 2019 Workshops – Looking for artists for 2019 please contact Nancy Pitcher. On schedule for May is Karen Avery with Polymer Clay. In October, Nancy Pitcher, Skytop Preparation workshop.
- Planning Board – For more efficient management of the organization it was discussed last month to update our Bylaws for Board of Directors. Revamping to have members of the organization instead of non-artists, such as lawyers, bankers, etc. seated on the Board. Past procedures are not working and decided it will be better to keep the Board in-house. Will be more efficient for the organization with in-house members.
- Bylaws must be changed to adopt approval of Board changes. Those in attendance reviewed the Article 1V Section 7 as it currently stands: *Section 7. Election of officers is held annually for one administrative year. There is no limit on the number of years an officer may serve. The Board of Directors is elected for three administrative years in staggered terms and cannot be re-elected unless one administrative has passed.* Motion made by MaryAnn Paulukonis to strike the third sentence and second by Jay Paulukonis.
- Responsibilities of the Board of Directors is to run the legal business of the organization and to conduct business with the community. They also manage business for the organization during our non-meeting months.
- Due to change with Board of Directors, a change is required for Article 1V Section 2: Officers. The new Section 2 will read as follows:
The Board of Directors shall consist of seven members. Four members shall be the elected officers of the Council. Three members shall be from the general membership and elected at the Annual Council Business Meeting. (Tonight, is that meeting). Vada Dale made motion to accept change and seconded by Jay Paulukonis.
- Skytop – 46 booths will be in service and due to less space being used, cost for facility reduced to \$4500.00.
- Welcome to new member Stephanie Spotts and she is participating in the Skytop Show. Vada will manage the raffle table. Volunteer helpers will be available to help members unload their vehicles for setup.

- Question arose about who manages our Facebook Page and Nancy will make an inquiry.
- Pocono Mountain Arts Council donated \$100 to the Mountain Center for the Recovery Workshop. The Recovery Workshop help those on abusive substances and the project was to paint rocks with messages and leave around the community for people to find.
- Reviewed the Calendar of Events to determine what we want to participate in going forward. Changes will be made to the Mt. Pocono Arts Festival procedures and Nancy will inform us as to what changes will be made.
- Northampton Community College – Considering a community wide art show for Fall of 2019, more information to follow.
- Pocono Heritage Center – Nancy Pitcher will investigate the offer for members to have a free show, Spring 2019. There is space to hang at least fifty prints plus a show case. Need someone to organize.
- Board Elections – Secretary, Louise Reeves – Vice President, Mira Hensley – President, Nancy Pitcher – Treasurer, Paul (Skip) Hensley. Skip suggested he should have a backup and will take on an apprentice training that person to bring him/her on board with managing the organizations finances. Contact Skip or Nancy if you are interested.
- Nominees for the three Board of Directors seats to be filled: Jay Paulukonis, Lennie Gritz, and Vada Dale volunteered. Motion made for vote and all in favor.
- As a reminder, Lennie Gritz is our Sunshine Lady. Please notify her if you know of any members being sick or if a death occurs. She will send cards on behalf of the organization.
- Next month, December is our Christmas Party. Wear crazy Christmas sweaters.
- Motion to adjourned made by Vada Dale and seconded by Brigette Lane.