



LUNENBURG CULTURAL COUNCIL
LOCATION: Ritter Memorial Building
DATE/TIME: 1/10/24, 6:45 PM
MEETING MINUTES

Attendees:

Donna Saiia
Judit Ernst
Karen Kemp
Kirsten Snape

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order at 6:58 PM

PUBLIC COMMENT

- none

APPROVED MINUTES

- Minutes from the previous meeting were discussed and revised to be approved at the next meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT

- FY 23 \$2,109 outstanding
 - Cannon Theater Tuition \$900
 - Stageworks Godspell \$500
 - Nashoba Symphonic Band \$709

UPDATE ON ARPA SCHOOL ART PROGRAM

- Charlene Britt attended to give an update on The Artist in Schools Program which ran two programs in the Fall of 2023
- The first artist visited in October. ProBlak is a muralist from Boston. ProBlak gave a large group presentation regarding being a professional artist. He also worked on a small group project which focused on personal and group identity. He used the Blue Knights logo to design a shield. He also left a wooden shield which the students will design for a display at the school.

- Elizabeth Perry is a Native American artist from Martha's Vineyard. She gave a presentation about the challenges of being an indigenous artist and respecting their culture.
- She makes Wampanoag jewelry and other ecologically based crafts. During her presentation, she worked with students weaving with dyed dried corn husks. She encouraged students to explore patterns and use resources that are available from nature
- Add video link
- Both artists had a strong message about becoming an artist and the work that goes into self-promotion to make a living as a professional.
- To date, we have spent \$5,316.69 of the AARPA funds. The grant balance is \$17,183.31. At this time we are waiting for Charlene Britt to submit an invoice for hours worked
- AARPA funds must be obligated by the end of the calendar year 2024 and expended by the end of the calendar year 2026
- A meeting will be scheduled between the Artists in Schools Program committee and Tim Santry, the Principal of LMHS, and the art teachers.

DISCUSSION ON COMMUNITY PROGRAM

- Fundraising idea proposed by Donna and Karen. Tres Bien would be a community project to decorate unfinished wooden trays to be displayed in public spaces. The trays can then be auctioned off at an event.

NEW BUSINESS

- none

COUNCIL MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS

- Member assignments will be discussed at the next meeting

CALL MEETING TO CLOSE

- Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM