## SOMERS CULTURAL COMMISSION Minutes for Monday May 14, 2018 Regular meeting

Chairperson Ann Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Members present: Pat Bachetti,Dot Cutter, Dan Fraro, Sandy Grabierz,Pat Jones,Donna Lewkowicz,Ann Levesque, Ginny Lockwood, Gail Tishler Honorary Member: Neil Connell Guest: Ann Murphy

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Sandy made a motion to approve the minutes of April 9, 2018 and Pat B. seconded. Members unanimously approved the report.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received a thank you letter and \$200.00 check from a mother who home schools her children and is thankful for the musical cultural experience her family is receiving through our concerts. Ann L. responded with a follow up thank you phone call. TREASURER'S REPORT

Sandy G. was not able to get an updated report for this meeting. The report was tabled until our next meeting.

BILLS TO PAY"

There was one bill for refreshments for the Photography Show Reception of \$76.54 and one bill for assorted stationery items of \$85.81. Dan made a motion to pay the bills and Dot seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

PUBLICITY

Ginny reported that we had a very successful publicity campaign which resulted in a 20% increase in entries for The Photography Show. Ginny will continue to update the website. Facebook is working well for us as that appears to be the best site for information right now. PHOTOGRAPHY and ART SHOW BUDGETS and REVIEW

Sandy handed out comparison budgets for last year and for this year for both shows. A discussion took place and we are doing well with the budget.

Neil was commended on the great job he did on hanging all the photographs.

There were 29 artists and 79 entries. Discussion on the Juror for the show. All members were positive. He was objective and did an excellent job on his written comments .

Neil reported that entry forms are printed for the Art Show and will be ready to be mailed the first week in July.

A meeting of the Art Show sub-committee is scheduled for June 5.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AND 2018-19 PIEDMONT COFFEEHOUSE

Ann L. reported that all contracts are signed and in hand.

Ann M. reported that more white flyers will be printed to be distributed at the Photography Show and where needed. The colored flyers will be printed after the sponsorship drive is over. SPONSORSHIP

Ann M. handed out the updated sponsorship list of those people and businesses who have committed so far. She also gave out the list of those who had committed last year but so far

not this year.Some members agreed to make contact with those on the list and anyone else they could think of to be contacted. Commitments need to be completed with check by June 8. UPDATE ON M FRAMING PROMOTIONAL OBJECTIVE

Ann L. reported that M Framing has not responded to her calls. This item will be table for now. RECOGNITION SIGN

Ann M. displayed a sample of the sign for a business sponsors. All members approved of the sign. Ann will determine the number that will be needed and the costs of laminating. Dan made a motion to purchase the signs pending costs. Sandy G. seconded.

CAPACITY SIGN

Ann L. made the sign and had it laminated. The capacity of Piedmont Hall is 86. UPDATED SCC VOLUNTEER MEMBERSHIP

Ann L. printer broke down so this item was tabled to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Facebook/Website- Ginny reported that there are some old SCC websites that are still up and interfere with update or even viewing a new website.the old ones need to be eliminated. Ginny will try to see what she can do. In the meantime most people seem to use and like getting information from Facebook.
- 2. Sub-committee budgets- Ann L will redo for next months meeting.
- 3. New chairs- Pat J. made a motion to purchase as many chairs as we need to make our total amount equal 90. Ginny seconded. Members approved unanimously.
- 4. Franco Corso fundraiser concert- Ann L. reported that Franco would be available to do a concert on The Green on July 1. A long discussion ensued about costs, weather, timing, participation, monies that may be available to defray costs and attendance. The member voted 5 for and 4 against going forward with this fundraiser concert. Ann L. will work on moving this event forward.
- 5. Photo bulletin board- Ginny made a motion to buy a bulletin board for the hanging of pictures from our different events. Sandy seconded. Motion carried unanimously
- 6. Lock Box- Our current lock box is rusty and difficult to open. Dan made a motion to buy a new push button lock box. Ginny seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Meetings- there will be no meetings in July and August. Ann L. will be on vacation for the Sept. and Oct. meetings. Someone will have to fill in.
- 8. Other- Ginny will look into getting some artists to decorate Piedmont during our Coffeehouse concerts.

Dan made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Pat B. The meeting adjourned at 8:50pm

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday June 11, 2018 at 7pm Piedmont Hall

Respectfully submitted

Patricia Jones, secretary

Minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.