

Approved Ridgefield Arts Council Meeting Minutes December 9, 2019  
Minutes taken by Hilary Aronow

RAC members in attendance: Mark Meachem, Hilary Aronow, Josh Fischer, Judi Lynch, Paul Gervais, Jennifer DiLaura, Amy Casey

Excused: Chris Sorgie

**MINUTES**

Judi made a motion to approve the minutes from the November meeting, Paul seconded it, and all approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

There is no major activity to review for this month.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Meetup.com-The Arts Council voted unanimously to deactivate the Meetup.com account since organizer fees have increased to \$98.94 every 6 months and we do not sell enough Generator tickets to cover this cost. Hilary will message members requesting they email us so we can add their contact info to our database that Judi will manage (Meetup.com does not disclose member emails). Our subscription is paid through May.
2. EDR Recap-We had lower than usual attendance. Jennifer was able to discuss John Frey's bill on creating a cultural district at the meeting. This program will be rolled out in January and the ECDC will be handling it and will work to form a separate committee to oversee this. Make Music Day was discussed. Many organizations are doing things surrounding the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment and several great collaborations will take place. Weir Farm is going to be the only National Park for CT featured on the 2020 coin.
3. Generator-Generator dates for next year were proposed to be 2/27, 4/29 or 4/30 (as a larger version of a Generator and possible fundraiser) and some time in October. February's event was proposed as a Mardi Gras theme with possible location at Sugar Beads. Ideas for presentations include mask making, a mixology lesson and jazz band performance. Ideas for the April Generator include tying in Mother's Day (creating the Mother of All Generators) and having cake decorating, flower arranging, painting/distressing a take home item like a frame with Foxtrot Home.
4. Meeting dates-the following meeting dates were approved by the RAC: 1/6, 2/3, 3/2, 4/13, 5/4, 6/1, 7/6, 8/3, 9/14, 10/5, 11/9, 12/7
5. Banners-the RAC approved a banner for February for the High School Booster for the Theater Club (Legally Blond). They will be taking all 20 (10 banners for musical and 10 generic ones). The RAC wants to ensure it is very clear on their banners that they are a nonprofit organization.

Meeting adjourned.