



Ridgefield Arts Council Meeting Minutes. April 13, 2020

This meeting was conducted on "Zoom" due to the isolation restrictions of the current pandemic of Covid-19.

Minutes taken by Judi Lynch

RAC members in attendance:

Mark Meachem, Josh Fischer, Judi Lynch, Paul Gervais, Jennifer DiLaura, Amy Casey

Excused: Chris Sorgie, Hilary Aronow

MINUTES

Jennifer DiLaura made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2020 meeting. Paul Gervais seconded it, and all approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chris Sorgie, Treasurer, was absent and report was tabled until the next meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS

a. MAKE MUSIC DAY

Ridgefield Arts Council has received a \$750.00 state grant through the efforts of Jennifer submitting the requisite application. The national group is still planning to go forth with the event while considering alternatives with what will be allowed. There is also consideration of having a MMD in December.

b. BEHIND THE SCENES

Paul sent out follow-ups and only has received 5 responses. May 14th, the original date slated, will not be the date this event will take place and will need to scope out alternatives. Possibly a social media source. Will carry forward this discussion at our May meeting to see the progression of the isolation requirements. Award options still to be determined.

c. SCHOLORSHIP

Amy has reported that to date she has received only one application. Being that schools are currently closed could be the reason. The deadline is April 15, 2020. Amy will provide the current applicants information to the members for their review and will forward any subsequent applications should any be received, for the members review.

d. POET LAUREATE

Barb Jennes has been named the town's poet laureate. She has posted several poems and poetry activities on Facebook. A Haiku hunt will be set up on this page. The Arts Council also has a presence on Ridgefield Streams and can promote the poet's activities through that link.

e. CULTURAL DESIGNATION

State requires that another committee shall be set up for this effort. That committee met for the first time in March and has members of the arts community, Mark, and ECDC members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM