RAC Meeting June 5, 2017 Taken by Wendy Mitchell

Meeting called to order 7:35 p.m.

RAC members in attendance: Paul Gervais, Mark Meachem, Jennifer DiLaura, Joshua Fisher, Wendy Mitchell, Alison Greeley, Vincent Conyers. Amy Casey arrived late.

Absent: Hilary Aronow

Ridgefield Youth Commission members in attendance: Denise Qualey, Marianne Furfaro, Callie (RHS student), Emily (RHS student)

RYC KINDNESS MURAL

Denise Qualey, chair of the Ridgefield Youth Commission, explained Kindness Mural project how it came on the heels of anti-semitic graffiti. Settled on The Art Spot as the artist to create the project. Voting on funds on Wednesday. Work on fundraising this summer, focus groups over the fall. Have gone to Historic Commission, loved idea. Town leader B&GC approved it. Reaching out to RCASA.

Mural is made in panels and then installed. Projected 15' long, side of The Barn is 45' long, 15' wide x 5' high. "Creation Stations" will be held when people can come in shifts and create pieces. Two focus groups over the holidays to create project.

Cost of project is \$9,500 for 18' long. Panels are 5' high, 3' wide- original idea was to do 6 panels, scaled to 5 now.

Arts Council offered its full support of the mural and agreed to keep in contact on the progress of this project. RAC agreed to help promote this via social media and EDR.

MINUTES

Have not received yet from last month.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Alison

Will update via email.

RAC SECRETARY VOTE

Hilary (absent) agreed to be new secretary after May's meeting. All in attendance Monday voted unanimously in favor of Hilary becoming new secretary.

BEHIND THE SCENES - Paul

Chris Nolan honored. Event went well, best surprise. 70+ in attendance.

WEBSITE - Josh

Will hope to have domain connected to the newly designed website soon- has meeting with IT on Tuesday.

ARTS SCHOLARSHIP - Amy & Mark

Spoke with town secretary regarding scholarship, RAC needs to write email explaining details of scholarship. No documentation on history of scholarship- need to create sub account and figure out where/which account the \$ is coming from. Scholarship will go to a Ridgefield resident who is majoring in the arts.

JUNE 26 GENERATOR @ Ridgefield Conservatory of Dance - Wendy

Guest speakers TBD.