

**West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission
Minutes
December 3, 2009**

*Approved
1-7-10*

In attendance: LuAnn Bombard, Heide Morris, Jesse Felix, Anni Holm, and Richard Byrne. Three members of the Education Foundation for District 94 joined us for agenda item 2, and Janet Gilleland joined us for agenda item 3.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34pm. Agenda items addressed:

1. Approval of minutes: The minutes of the November 5 meeting were approved as submitted...
2. Education Foundation for District ⁹⁴ art project presentation: **Thomas McAdams, Bruce Treudt**, and **Gail Eckl Daniels**, Foundation members, have asked for CAC assistance in expanding the donor base for the Foundation's annual fundraiser. This year's event will be a painted/embellished chair auction to be held at St. Andrews Country Club on September 26 (Call for Artists and representative photos of a similar event were distributed to commission members) [general discussion on ways to increase number of entrants; incentives to attract area artists (as opposed to hobbyists) through sales commission rather than a "best of show" cash prize; potential CAC/Gallery 200 activities to support effort (Gallery workshops to generate products for auction; recommendation that the Foundation discuss the project with CFHS art faculty to attract student participation)] Will review issue at the January 7, 2010 meeting.
3. Discuss theater arts project: Janet Gilleland is interested in joining the CAC to develop a theater arts program. She has extensive experience in all aspects of theater and has her own theater company. [discussion; good addition to CAC; possible use of basement area in Gallery for "storefront theater"]
4. Banner project update a. Marketing banners for sale: No additional progress since November meeting. **Anni** has sent out an email re call for work for 2010 banners; one submission so far. She plans an information session at the Museum in January to answer questions about banner design submission. [discussion; Museum will be open January 16 at 11:30 for Craft Saturday; a good date for an hour session. **Anni** will advertise; **Heide** will advertise at the Gallery]
5. Gallery 200 update a. Featured Artist update: No changes since November meeting. **Joanne** produced a "Wonderful & Wearable" flyer for the December artists; reception is Friday, December 4, from 6 to 9 pm.
6. Discuss plans for Frosty Fest: Similar to last year's event, with extended Gallery hours. Two demos will be featured: watercolor from 5-6pm; **Phoebe Smith** to do "participation painting (using water droplets).
7. Review Commission functions: Copies of **Jesse's** submission from November meeting distributed. He is soliciting funds and hopes to prepare a suitable site for a public arts project next year. **LuAnn** has completed her FAF procedures update and will send copies with January's meeting notice.
8. Other business: **Anni** advised that a National Performance Team from Denmark will tour the US next year and be in the Chicago area at the end of October. She is negotiating to bring them to West Chicago.
9. Announcements: **LuAnn** read John DeLap's resignation letter from the CAC. **Mark Fortman's** work will be featured at City Hall beginning in January. A new art exhibit at City Hall will be displayed for several years. 9:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Byrne
Secretary