

## **WESTPORT ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Town Hall, room 309

Tuesday, December 12 2017

**Present:** Nancy Diamond, Richard Epstein, Kathie Bennewitz, Miggs Burroughs, John Dodig, Frederic Chiu, Lee Goldstein, Deirdre Price, Kelle Ruden, Carole Schweid, Elizabeth Strick.

**Absent:** Eric Chiang, Sandy Lefkowitz, Wendy Morgan-Hunter.

### **THE NEXT MEETING IS, JANUARY 9 2018, TOWN HALL ROOM 309**

We thank Nancy and Richard for the holiday lunch which we all enjoyed during the meeting.

#### **1. Otocast**

Deirdre reported that the project is moving forward. WestPAC members still have questions on issues of responsibility. WestPAC will be invited to our next WAAC meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Reviewing what has been done so far, Nancy felt that the content of each tour was long in detail and the audio was also too long.

When each tour is complete, WAAC will oversee script and audio, and edit photos. Captions on photos may be possible.

Organizations signing on to Otocast will write their own copy and select their photographs.

Judith and Miggs will collect all information and forward to Eric at Otocast.

#### **2. WestPAC**

Kathie reported that Tiffany Davidson is registrar of the collection. She will be paid a flat rate of \$30 an hour for 50 hours of work.

New co-chairs are in place and Kathie is now in an advisory position dealing with conservation and acquisitions.

The Robert Lambden mural is to be moved from the library to Staples during the February school break. It will be hung near the entrance to the Staples theater. Bids for moving are being solicited, the first quote came in at \$4,000. So far, the Library has suggested one possible space for its return after their renovation is complete. The cost of moving the mural will be covered by WestPAC and The Friends of WestPAC.

### **3. “Graduates of Distinction”**

WAAC will review Horizon list and those who went to Staples will have their names forwarded for consideration.

### **4. TEA Talk**

Richard will send the TEA Talk production schedule to the committee for review and comment.

### **5. Poetry Project**

Kellie reported that on February 1, WAC will co-sponsor a Poetry event focused on WW1. It would include readings from the period as well as contemporary work. Poets interested in sharing their work, should submit poetry for consideration by Sunday January 21 via email: [waac@westport.gov](mailto:waac@westport.gov). Participating poets will be notified by Friday, January 26 and will read their poem at the February 1 program at the Westport Arts Center. There will be a press releases on the WAC and Library web sites and Town face book page. Kellie will approach Dan Woog to write an article. A committee will review and select work to be read.

### **6. Other Business**

Nancy asked us to think of possible candidates for the committee with a back ground in writing. There is one space to fill.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10

Elizabeth Strick  
Secretary

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