

Westport Public Art Collection Committee Meeting

February 8, 2019 9:00am

Attendees: Inna Agujen, Kathie Bennewitz, Randa Trivisono, Ive Covaci, Scott Springer, Leonor Dao Turut, Valerie Malin-Smith, Tom Scavone, Paula Argosh, Tara Lieberman, Reese Green, Melissa Ellis, Patra Kanchanagom, Barbara Wang.

Minutes submitted by Barbara Wang

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Meeting held at the Senior Center

1. Collection Inventory Status

- A. Progress to date: Staples is $\frac{2}{3}$ done...remaining sites include Saugatuck, Fire Station, and the Storage Closet at SHS. Monday 2/11 - complete withdrawal from CMS
- B. Request for membership assistance: Signup Genius will be resent out.
- C. Final notes: at completion, all reps should take their location list and compare with the data online to make note if anything is not updated. Can let Kathie know with a "to locate" message.

2. CMS Closure: update on removal and storage of items.

- A. 2/11 will be completion, about 40 works left to remove. Kathie has arranged a van and also additional closet space at SHS thru June to house it. Kathie will resend Signup Genius to get assistance from the group

3. Progress on Framing and Coleytown Repairs: just a \$4k . Hope to negotiate more money from Friends and Arts Advisory in addition to the received. But we will need to slow down on the long list of repairs/framing that has built up.

4. SHS Guidance Dept project update: Leonor and Maisie Prince (student) and other students will go on 2/11 to hang some things. Bill Plunkett still prefers student works. Leonor will also approach SHS Library to see if they may take some of the items that had been slated for Guidance.

5. Status of Data Entry Project/hiring situation: Tiffany is finishing her projects; we are finalizing Megan's contract for 125 hours thru end of fiscal year. Friends is reviewing this .

6. Social Media Update: Still need a person to own this - do updates for or special events. Internship thru SHS may be .

7. Recruitment Update: Have several new people to join - as evidenced by attendance today! 1 from the Coffee; 1 from Instagram. Tom will send a targeted email out through school channels- particularly for SES, GFS, and SHS sites where we are desperate for additional help.

8. Site Representative Reports:

A. KHS: Lots of Art Smart projects are happening. Presentations done in the Fall sparked good response at both KHS and LLS. Hope to do it at all schools in coming fall.

B. LLS: Ive has coordinated an "Annie" exhibition with the help of Miggs Burroughs who designed display. Annie will be on view during performances. Great way to pair WestPAC in the school system in vibrant way! Ive will also put up recruitment info for WestPAC.

C. CES: working on labels

D. School System: Tom Scavone is having Kathie make a presentation to the Art Dept on 2/25 at SHS.

E. Westport Rotary: Kathie will make a presentation there on 2/12 and also use TEA Talk presentation.

F. SES: Imke needs more help

G. GFS: Inna needs the bio for a NEW PERSON who will be helping out!

9. Additional items for review:

A. Kathie has new temporary custody for acquisition: Ann Tolson's "Compo Showers 40x50 from 1990. Will go through Town Committee for coordination... going through procedure.

B. Kathie is pushing labels as a priority for all sites. There is paper that is bought... can get it printed... Rokwell can drymount and cut them out.

10. Concluded meeting with a tour of the Senior Center artwork by Kathie Bennewitz.

Next meeting: Friday March 8, 2019 9am: AT Town Hall.