

## Westport Public Art Collections (WestPAC)

January 10, 2020

Town Hall, room 309

Minutes submitted by Barbara Wang

Attending: Randa Trivisonno, Kathie Bennewitz, Tom Sciavone, Scott Springer, Marion Morra, Jennifer Friedland, Eve Potts, Ive Covaci, Neil Cohn, Reese Green, Barbara Wang

Special Guest: Scott Bennewitz

1. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting December 13th.

2. Committee Update:

- Task to reappoint members. New joiners we will need official bios submitted to the Town for approval. Email list will be cleaned up.
- Friends of WestPAC event for recruiting in March - need to put together invite list/encourage Bring a Friend

3. Collection Update: Special Guest Scott Bennewitz from Friends of WestPAC

- Collection Management Systems: introduction to us as a group for the Connecticut Connections with this state driven initiative.
  - Friends is supporting the cost
  - Need to create subcommittee to help with data cleanup and also training
  - WestPAC will have more organization, increased visibility
- CMS Mold update: All claims finally approved by Chubb for insurance.
- Accession updates:
  - Kathie will pull a group together to work on evaluations for Lisa Daugherty, Kovatch, and Margolis pieces. Hope to have the backlog of accessions up to date by end of the school year

4. Education Update:

- China installation continues to rotate exhibition sites. Moved from GFS to CES; will move to SHS prior to February 3rd for China concert. We are filling spaces as the China installation and other groupings rotate.
- We are reaching out to art teachers for resources for their lesson plans

#### 5.Special Projects Update:

- WestPAC website: held initial meeting, reserving URL. Working to develop where to host website as well as content. This is ongoing project to increase our visibility and accessibility
- Steffi Friedman dance piece installation at SHS - need to look to build launch event for Spring, including courtyard beautification
- Public Arts Policy: we would like our committee to be involved to reinvent current Town policy
- Musical notes show: May 27th WPL Jessup Gallery showcasing pieces from WestPAC. Will need help with installation plan

#### 6.Representative Site Reports: Committee is working to solidify roster of reps at each site who will submit a monthly update. Membership attendance to be addressed.

- SHS: More hanging rails are needed after walkthru with art teachers identifying open spaces. Continue to try to pull works out of storage closets to hang
- CMS: pre-discussions need to start happening about Fall Opening
- Town Hall: need to address reworking the arts hanging and redesigning lobby area

#### 7.Additional Business: none at this time.

#### 8.Next Meeting to be held Friday February 7, 2020 at 9am TH room 201\*note room change\*s

- Calendar of Meetings submitted to Town for the next year, room in parenthesis: 2/7(201), 3/13(309), 4/3 (201), 5/8 (309), 6/12 (309), 9/11(309), 10/9 (309), 11/13 (309), 12/11 (309), 1/8/2021 (201)

