

Westport Public Art Collections (WestPAC)

January 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Public meeting held on Town Zoom

Minutes submitted by Barbara Wang

Attending: Randa Trivisonno, Ive Covaci, Anne Boberski, Stephanie Klose, Carla Devillers, Rachel Cohn, Neil Cohn, Barbara Wang, Reese Green, Scott Springer, Kelsey Hix, Amanda Castellano, Paula Argosh, Jennifer Friedland, Patti Boutilier, Harris Falk, Kathryn Turley-Sonne

1. Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting December 8, 2021.

2. Committee Update:

- Recruitment update:
 - WAAC voted in favor of our committee appointments; now with the First Selectwoman's office, waiting for approval
 - Brochure is in development for use at the MOCA show and beyond

3. Collection Update:

- CTCO access for Committee members: please review Ive's training video
 - Important for pulling up works currently available in storage to fill holes for works going to MOCA show
- New Acquisitions: Subcommittee headed by Kathie will plan to get underway in February. Anyone still wanting to join in this please contact Barbara/Kathie.

4. Education Update:

- Learning Galleries -
 - SHS urgently needs rotation/refresh
 - KHS awaiting landscape installation
 - BMS still awaiting rail installation in order to proceed
 - CMS is empty at the moment
 - URGENT: Ive would like to create an Education Subcommittee. Please reach out to Ive - committee would meet as needed to keep these installations current and rotating.

5. Friends of WestPAC update:

- BOF last week approved what was submitted for the arts for ARPA plan money. This now proceeds to the RTM for Feb 1 for approval. Regarding WestPAC, this involves STORAGE situation which is critical. Encourage attendance to show support!
- Calendar Sales reported

- Grant success reported

6.Special Projects Update:

- MOCA show subcommittee -
 - 60 works. January 28th Grand Opening 6-8pm
 - RSVP invites capped at 100 due to covid/masks & proof of vaccine will be required
 - Attendance list has been submitted and will be sent out by MOCA
 - Programs with the show: gallery talks, lectures.
 - Barbara will send out press summary
 - March 12th will close: URGENT - will need help moving all art out
- Senior Center: first area to be targeted to finalize labeling project
- New Logo: reviewed new logo to happy reviews
- Social Media/Instagram Posts: ask all members to again supply more posts to build our “posting library”. URGENTLY looking for a volunteer to take over this job from Kathie. Barbara will resend the directions for creating a post.

7.Representative Site Reports:

- ALL SITES: reminder to try to fill holes left by works going to MOCA show. Great opportunity for refreshing!
 - Additional reminder that all access must be approved at schools
- Town Hall in process of hanging First Selectwoman’s office, conference rooms and hallway
 - Great social media opportunity to post photographs of installation process and final works selected

8.Additional Business:

- Celebrate Westport: Meeting postponed due to snow, Reese will hope to give update next month.
- Further discussion of Meeting day/time going forward
 - Survey results reviewed: Wednesdays at 7pm seems most viable option for now.
 - Barbara will submit for the Town Calendar for 2022/23

9.Next Meeting : Wednesday February 9, 2022 at 7pm. This meeting will be Virtual. Virtual meetings are sanctioned until April 2022; we will continue to evaluate monthly.

