**Greater Dover Arts Council**
**Board of Directors Meeting**
**3:30 PM, June 12, 2014**
**Dover Public Library**

| Members Present | Members Absent | Others Present |
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| N. Taylor Collins | Elaine Brenchley | Margie Cyr, City of Dover |
| Beccy Cooper | Sylvia Cowell | Karen DeMarco, City of Dover |
| Caroline Greene | | |
| Paul Janiga, Vice Chair | | |
| Susan Johnston | | |
| Brian Miller, Chair | | |
| Amy Spampinato | | |

**CALLED TO ORDER**: 3:30PM with 7 members in attendance.

**WELCOME**
All were welcomed to the library by the Chair.

**OLD BUSINESS**
Brian thanked Taylor for taking the minutes at the March 20, 2014 meeting. After discussion, Becky made a motion to approve the minutes with the addition of Susan Johnston listed as "absent" from the meeting. Caroline seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Brian will make an appointment to meet with the new mayor after the election to talk to him about recommendations for the GDAC and the Mayor's Arts Awards.

During discussion about the Mayor's Arts Awards, Susan said that she was thrilled with all the nominations and wanted to recommend them all. Brian asked if anyone had any recommendations relating to the scoring process. Amy noticed that there were not any letters written by the Youth nominations; Paul said that letters are no longer required.

After scoring was complete, Amy made a motion to recommend all nominations in the **Mayor's Arts Awards** category; Paul seconded the motion. Five were in favor with one no.

Council recommendations for the Mayor's Arts Awards are:

- Delaware Friends of Folk
- Sharon Crossen
- Gary Knox

Paul made a motion to recommend all nominations in the **Mayor's Youth Arts Awards** category; Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Council recommendations for the Mayor's Youth Arts Awards are:

- Tymir Thompkins
- Alex Brown
- Marius Sandler
- Elizabeth Stant

Brian offered to work on updating the rubrics and asked for Paul's assistance. He also suggested looking at the whole process again in September and making more changes as needed.

The Mayor's Arts Awards Reception will be held on First Friday, October 3, 2014 at the Biggs Museum. Brian asked if a meeting prior to September would be necessary to hash out details; everyone thought they could communicate through email. Amy will verify with her brother in law this weekend about the hors d'oeuvres and appetizers that he agreed to do. Susan said that she will take care of securing wine for the event.

Brian asked if Taylor, Caroline and Susan would be interested in being re-appointed to the GDAC. They all agreed and Brian will make the recommendations to the Mayor. Brian is also recommending that Elaine and Sylvia not be re-appointed due to un-fulfillment of their obligations to the GDAC. Brian will send them thank you letters. Margie said that all of the Mayoral appointments city-wide have been postponed until the new Mayor is elected.

Brian asked for Council recommendations. Susan asked about the status of Cheryl Scheir's application; Brian said that she has been recommended and he would reach out to her and let her know the status. Taylor asked if Council members need to live in the City of Dover or in the Greater Dover area. Karen will clarify with Yvonne in the City Manager's office.

Amy reported that the GDAC Facebook page is up and people are checking it. Contact Amy if you have anything to add. Caroline advised that we get permission from the Awards winners to share their information on Facebook and other media outlets. Margie suggested it be included as part of the Arts Awards packet. Caroline agreed to create a release form and send it out to Council for feedback with a final draft completed by the end of July.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Brian asked about the status of the GDAC webpage. Margie reported that the webpage was attached to the Mayor's webpage, which has been taken down and will be re-created after the Mayoral election. The new page should be up and running by mid-July and should include the GDAC information.

Taylor mentioned the Amish Bike Tour, September 5, 6 & 7. The Library, the Dover Art League and Park Gallery will be the anchors for the Art Tour. Twelve to fourteen businesses are involved with the Art Tour, in conjunction with the Bike Tour. It's already been written up in a Pittsburgh blog.

Margie announced that K.M. Hammond painted an acrylic mural titled Noble Passing, which she donated to the library about a year ago. The mural was installed last week on the second floor, above the elevator. The Delaware Historical and Cultural Affairs recently mounted pictures on the second floor as well as part of a long term loan.

With no further business, Paul made a motion to adjourn and Amy seconded the motion.