

Saratoga Springs Arts Commission Minutes, Tuesday 11/13/18

Members Present

Sue Kessler
Ian Berry
Matt Hurff
Pantelis
Devra Cohen-Tigor
Ria Curley
Joel Reed

5:30PM

Meeting called to order by Sue Kessler, Chair

POLICY COMMITTEE:

- The committee shared research about the various ways cities in other parts of the country use tax dollars. The research will be narrowed down to relevant case studies (cities that are comparable to our own) with the objective of considering a proposal for Saratoga Springs to integrate an arts tax.
- Work continues to contact the owners of the remaining sculptures (ballet slippers and horses). Sue will contact the Dance Museum and the Visitor's Center. The committee should move forward with creating a proposal of future terms for public art along Broadway.

PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE:

- Nicole Coady (Artistic Director of Saratoga Arts Fest) has expressed interest in joining the committee in an advisory capacity. Belinda should get in touch with her to confirm and set up a meeting.
- At the next meeting, the committee will present a list of arts leaders in Saratoga that should be included in an 'Arts Stakeholders Event'.

MISC:

- The Commission discussed in detail a proposal that Sue will submit to the Commissioner of Finance in regard to the possibility of discretionary funding for the Arts Commission as we move forward with the action items that will require money. These action items include a master arts calendar for the city (website and/or app), a printed arts brochure for the city (possibly in conjunction with Tourism), and a shared part time staff person with Saratoga Arts.

Proposed meeting for 2019 are on Tuesdays from 5:30-7pm at the Arts Center: February 12, May 7, September 10, and November 12

6:30M

Meeting adjourned Sue Kessler