

HAMDEN ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA
Special Meeting of Wednesday, June 9th, 2021
Miller Library/Zoom

(Please note, as this was a hybrid meeting, there is no Zoom recording.)

Agenda

1. **Call To Order:** Vice Chairwoman Donna Elkin called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
2. **Attendance**
 - a. **In Attendance:** Donna Elkin, Vice Chairwoman; Charles ; Marita Gargiulo; Alex Mickens; Jennifer McGarry; Siobhan Carter- David; Loraine Brown; Diane Brown
 - b. **Also in Attendance:** Alisha Martindale, Arts Department Staff; Liana Paglia, Commission Clerk
 - c. **Absent:** Sandy Schiff; Stephanie; Ruth; Steven Graham; George Mako; Lois Jason
3. **Vote on Art Kits**
 - a. Ms. Martindale briefly explained that last year the commission voted to spend up to \$2,000.00 on the art kits. In actuality, only \$1500.00 -\$1700.00 was spent and 88 families were served. Anyone who registered for a kit, received one. However, the program grew to be so popular, that applications had to be capped. Ms. L. Brown suggested offering art kits at the Keefe Center, which was met with general consensus. Ms. McGarry and Ms. D. Brown offered to assist Ms. L. Brown with arranging the Keefe Center art kit distribution. The commissioners deliberated the amount to be spent on the art kits. Commissioner L. Brown requested a vote to approve spending up to \$3500.00 on the art kits. The vote results are as follows:
 - i. Ms. Gargiulo: Yes
 - ii. Ms. McGarry: Yes
 - iii. Charles: No
 - iv. Vice Chairwoman Elkin: No
 - v. Ms. L. Brown: Yes
 - vi. Ms. David-Carter: Yes
 - vii. Ms. Mickens: Yes
 - viii. Ms. D. Brown: Yes

The majority of commissioners present voted to spend up to \$3500.00 on the art kits. Some will be allotted for the Hamden Teen Center and some to the Keefe Center. Ms. Martindale will contact the commission at a later date, to recruit volunteers to assemble the kits.
4. **Comments/ Suggestions:** N/A
5. **Adjournment:** At 7:22 pm, Ms. Gargiulo made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Ms. McGarry. All were in favor.

Submitted by: Liana Paglia, Commission Clerk