# DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF THE ARTS

# Connecticut Arts Council Meeting Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 2:00 pm 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

#### **MINUTES**

**Present:** Fritz Jellinghaus, Mary Ellen Eckels, Ted Yudain, Helen During

**Absent:** Jan, Dilenschneider, Catherine Smith

**Staff:** Kristina Newman-Scott, Tamara Dimitri, Bonnie Koba, Adriane Jefferson,

Jane Schneider

#### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:07 pm

#### II. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of March 20, 2018.

Motion: Helen During Second: Fritz Jellinghaus (Y-2; N-0; Abstain-2)

#### III. Chairman's Report

Fritz Jellinghaus reported that the CT Arts Council has a number of vacancies and they are working hard to fill them. Kristina Newman-Scott has reached out to potential candidates and all have expressed interest in being part of the council. Names have been submitted to appointing legislators and we hope to have vacancies filled by next meeting.

#### IV. Director's Report

Kristina Newman-Scott reported that on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, we will be hosting a webinar on the guidelines and eligibility requirements for FY19 COA grants.

Kristina also reported that the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies has developed an interactive dashboard which allows you to explore the value added to state economies through arts and cultural production, as well as employment and compensation figures for the creative workforce. Connecticut's total value added is \$9,005,012 and 57326 jobs.

Kristina also informed that Connecticut Arts Day scheduled for Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 will feature stellar artists and wonderful keynote speakers. The theme is Resiliency through the Arts. She hopes that council members will all be in attendance.

#### V. <u>Action Items</u>

#### FY18 Arts Learning – Access Grants

It is recommended that the Connecticut Arts Council approve six Arts Learning grants for a total of \$4,200.

Motion: Ted Yudain

Seconded: Mary Ellen Eckels

(Y-4; N-0; Abstain-0)

#### **FY18 Arts Workforce Initiative**

It is recommended that the Connecticut Arts Council approve 28 Arts Workforce Initiative grants in the amount of \$3,750 each, for a total of \$105,000.

Motion: Helen During Seconded: Fritz Jellinghaus

(Y-4; N-0; Abstain-0)

#### **FY18 HOT Schools Grants**

It is recommended that the Connecticut Arts Council approve the allocation of \$161,000 to fund seven Spotlight HOT Schools at \$15,000 each; and seven Network HOT Schools at \$8,000 each.

Motion: Mary Ellen Eckels

Seconded: Ted Yudain

(Y-4; N-0; Abstain-0)

### VI. Other Business

No other business.

## VII. <u>Adjournment</u>

A motion was made by Helen During, second by Fritz Jellinghaus, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lu Rivera Administrative Assistant