



Arts Council of Glen Rock – Board of Directors
Wednesday, October 2 - 7:00-9:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by J. Sporn

In attendance: Liza Arnao, Amy Martin, Patti McHugh | John Blackman, Michele Keller, Mona Milbrodt, Jamie Sporn, Alisa Svider

Resources for generating ideas

Arts Council records (from the 1990's) are available to us – Amy brought materials provided by GR Historical Society. Very detailed and well-organized, although sadly, no bylaws. These materials are a good resource for generating ideas. The previous Arts Council folded due to lack of volunteers to take over leadership.

Bylaws

Creation

- Amy suggests we form a smaller committee to meet independently and take the first stab at organizing and wording. Then draft will be presented at a subsequent meeting to solicit feedback from the entire group
 - Amy, Alisa, Mona – will comprise this committee, responsible for completing a draft (collaborative format) and emailing to group ahead of time to give everyone time to digest and edit. Will discuss at next meeting.
- Why do we need bylaws urgently? What are we unable to do without them? Tax purposes, apply for grants?
- Bylaw template, samples — Alisa has a [preliminary draft](#) – based on several models – which was sent to members. (This version has not yet been edited by committee.)

Content

- Term limits for officers? Members? (Amy)
- An annual review will enable board to edit and update bylaws as needed (John)
- Max/min number of board members

Board member requirements

- Commitment– attend certain percentage of meetings annually? , Roughly 10 meetings per year (one per month, from Sept-June). Board members should attend at least 80% (8 meetings). Some feel this may be too high a percentage. Second, be a part of an event – attend and participate annually?
- Board has established a recurring meeting date – the first Wednesday of each month – 7:30pm - 9:00pm
- Eligibility to vote – linked to membership dues payment and participation
 - Proxy votes — board member must be aware and informed of group activity in order to submit a proxy vote

- Leadership Positions
 - PR Publications position – Alisa & Michele
 - Programs Committee – under PR
 - Website/Social Media – Mona
 - Membership chair – ?

Calendar of events for the year

- **Halloween decor contest** — **October** – Alisa suggests certificate granted to homeowner with most creative/artistic Halloween display in town, 1st, 2nd, 3rd prize? Winners announced at town council meeting.
 - Alisa will make flier
 - Then start to gather addresses of nominees.
 - We will all (board) eventually vote on photos and award homeowners.
 - Will solicit town photographers to take pictures.
 - Will take submissions until Oct 25, board members will vote online by Oct 30. Announce on Oct 31.
 - No Arts Council board members will be considered for award.
- **Holiday Home Decoration Contest** – **December** – details to follow.
- **Film Festival** – **January** (Jon Cole has or can curate the films), venue needed, will cost \$\$\$
- **Maker's Day STEAM event** – **March 21** – held at GR Public Library. Arts Council will contribute an artistic table – Jamie, Michele, Patti. Need to come up with an idea and give library (John) materials and space requirements.
 - Ideas: create body “joints” with artistic materials, a 3D structure and learning to balance, using one item (bottle caps?) to create communal art, community kids' art project.
- **Multicultural Arts Event** – **Spring?**

Social Media Posts

- Currently, we only have a Facebook presence.
- Who can post?
 - Currently, all posts by FB group members must be reviewed/approved before going "live" on page.
- What can be posted? Can/should we promote other local artistic events?
 - It was decided we will post to get traffic on our page. Mona will moderate.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, November 4, 2019 (moved from Weds. due to Teachers Convention) at Patti McHugh's house. Address to come.