## TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021 JOSEPH N. GOFF HOUSE

## **MINUTES**

The East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission met on March 18, 2021 at 6:30 pm at the Joseph N. Goff House. Attendees were: Carol Lane, Betty Sennett, Melissa Pionzio, Shirley Brooks, Mel Carnahan, Ed Yocher, Rebecca Tinelle and Liaison/Library Director Ellen Paul

Agenda was approved after the addition of Epoch Arts Grant Presentation at 8 pm.

Minutes from 2/18/21 meeting were approved.

Remainder of Meeting consisted of Grant presentations:

6:30 pm-Stacey Gibson, East Hampton preschool teacher presented grant proposal for an outing for her class to Hurst Farm in Andover CT. Purpose would be to give kids a working knowledge of a farm. Funds would go towards bus rental.

6:45 pm-Christine Fielding, EH school librarian, presented a grant proposal for a group of art student volunteers to create 2-4 murals on canvas. Project would build teamwork during pandemic even though they would work separately but collaboratively. Number of students would depend on volunteers. Grant would support art materials. Completed murals would be presented at town hall presentation.

7:00 pm-Luke Rempe, student at EHHS presented for a Capstone Grant. Project would be to create a horror movie utilizing students/friends as performers. Movie would be modeled after Blair Witch Project from the 1990's. The grant would be used for supplies during production.

7:15 pm-Brendan Owen, student at EHHS, presented for a Capstone Grant. Project would focus on the environment and sustainability. Two parts 1. Research on sustainable resources and 2. reduce single use plastic waste reduction in cafeteria. Utilizing the Freshmen Class as a test. would involve distribution of bamboo utensils to reduce plasticware usage. Grant would go towards cost of materials.

7:30 pm-Dean Markham, Treasurer of Goff House, presented a grant proposal to support an additional concert that would be designated to replace Old Home Day, which has been canceled (July). Goff House concert series funding has been impacted by pandemic.

7:45 pm-Amie Meecham, leader of Kindness with Kids (a community service group), presented a grant proposal for "craft stations" at designated locations in EH. Modeled after the food and book stations. Bin would have two sections-one for seasonal crafts and one for craft donations from the public. Grant would go towards craft supplies for the station.

8:00 pm- Beth Namen, from Epoch Arts, presented a grant proposal for the establishment of a youth program "Brookside Nights". Would provide youths the opportunity to express themselves as we go through pandemic and beyond. such events as "Paint Night", "Poetry Night", and "Mic Night" are planned. No funding at the moment. Grant would go towards supplies.

After completion of presenters the Commission discussed next steps. They agreed to award 2 Capstone Grants to the two Presenters-Luke and Brendan. They decided to wait on awarding any other Grants until the April 1st deadline for submissions has passed.

Budget was discussed on how best to manage remaining budget funds. It was decided to utilize the remaining funds for grants, which will be determined at April meeting. Melissa will attend and present at the East Hampton Budget Review Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.