

Litchfield Arts Council

February 8, 2022

12:32 meeting called to order by the Chair, Priscilla Jeffrey.

Attendance: Jessica Russell, Charlie Dumais, Thomasina Levy, Priscilla Jeffery, Caylin Jensen, Michele Murelli, Jennifer Terzian is absent with notice.

Observers from the Public: Jenna Gonzales, Samuel Boyd.

They both are going to the BOS to be approved as members of the Arts Council.

Jenna is an artist and Sam is a branding expert.

Minutes 1/11/2022 approved, moved by Thomasina, 2nd Jessica.

Additional officers were elected:

Treasurer: Thomasina was nominated by Priscilla, 2nd by Caylin, unanimously approved

Vice Chair: Jessica was nominated by Priscilla, 2nd by Thomasina, unanimously approved.

The Mission of the Litchfield Arts Council is to encourage, inspire, support, and connect people through the Arts by building awareness, promoting accessibility and creative opportunities.

Priscilla moved to accept the Mission as stated, 2nd by Jessica, **unanimously approved.**

A suggestion was made to provide a workshop for artists as **Professional Development: How to manage your art business.** A service the LAC can provide and will satisfy a benchmark from CT Sustainability.

The Council discussed the **grant proposal** to the Scherr-Thoss foundation: the competitive bids, the scope of the branding and website presence, maintenance of social media accounts. Charlie and Jess will work with Thomasina on the final form of the grant. **Send bios to Jessica.** jjjaner@icloud.com for the introduction to the grant proposal, 150 words with a photo.

Jessica and Priscilla also applied for an additional grant and there are matching funds available from Sustainable CT for this additional grant.

This generated a discussion about fundraising or membership fees and was halted to find out what we are allowed to do or raise as a Town entity.

The Strategic Plan for the LAC should be the focus of the next meeting to clarify next steps.

Charlie showed the members his work as part of his visual bio.

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Priscilla moved to adjourn,
2nd by Charlie, Adjourned at 1:30.