

Beach Park Founder's Lodge, 22030 Cliff Ave South

Attendees; Collette Deardorff, Jean Munro, Kathy Isaac, Luisa Bangs, Kristy Dunn, Anna Brodie, Shannon Kirchberg, Ekkarath Sisavatdy, Patrice Thorell, Gina Kallman, Stefan Nelson, Matt Pina

Meeting called to order @ 5:40 pm by Kathy Isaac.

December minutes motion to approve by Kristy, 2nd by Luisa. All in favor.

Opening and Introduction of Guests/New Council Rep

Guest Presentations

Stefan Nelson (Arts Coordinator)/Nancy Kallman, from Highline school district.

Wants DMAC to voice our opinion to the director of school board that the arts are essential to learning and development.

- String Orchestra at Mt Rainier for the first time this year. This is a big celebration in the Arts.
- Evergreen High School now has an all campus band now.
- Middle school now has partnered with Arts Core and Dept. of Education and received a 2 million research grant. Will affect all 7th graders for 3 years.
- Wants to require that art is a required course.
- New choirs and 2 schools.
- Wants robust arts at every level available.
- Seattle Arts Museum has offered free admission free bussing to all children at the schools of Highline.

Committee Reports

- **Executive** – Nothing to Report
- **Summer Concerts** – Our team will be reviewing the information Shannon received for us and we will be finalizing our decision. Final list by February is our goal
- **Des Moines Got Talent** – Look at the budget and see if we have any money in the budget to work through Got Talent.

Meeting Protocols

How do we want to conduct our meetings? As a group we are very vocal and have opinions. Side bars have to stop.

Ideas

Maybe we write down our ideas instead of just blurting it out during the meeting.

Process checker at the end of the meeting and is done by a different person each meeting.

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1. Did we accomplish objective
2. Commentary how the meeting went
3. What can happen better at the next meeting.

Anna has agreed to do this role at the February meeting.

Other Business/Around the Table

- Bettysanderartist.com – please go to the website to review her art.
- We need to be thinking about fundraising.
- Legacy is looking to do a specific fundraiser for the arts program. Legacy is going to put forth the seed money. Want it to become an annual event. Invite sculpture artist to sell some of their other art. Paddle Raise for summer concert sponsors.
- Spin off a fundraising committee, we can create partnerships. Anna, Ekk, and Lisa are possible committee members.
- Start collecting emails at our events. So that we can reach out to them.
- Reader Board at the Activity Center is available and we need to remember to be using it for our events.
- Are we having a working retreat?

What can we do to help the arts at the Highline?

- Write a letter from the commission to the School Board and Sign it.
- Maybe we go down to one of their meetings and discuss our support for arts in the schools.
 - We need to give examples of why it is good and tangible examples of what it helps kids do.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm

Next DMAC meeting is undetermined but it will include the retreat. It will be either Thursday or Saturday 19th or 21st.