

CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON CULTURE AND TOURISM

FULL COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, March 2, 2009

1:30 P.M.

One Constitution Plaza

Hartford, Connecticut

MINUTES

Present: Sandra Evoy

Joined via Conference Call

Chairman Michael Price, Carolyn Cicchetti, Arthur Diedrick, Anne Elvgren, Walter Fiederowicz, Bruce Fraser, Betty Hale, Helen Higgins, Herbert Jay, Fritz Jellinghaus, Greg Johnson, Larry McHugh, Ann E. Sheffer, Will K. Wilkins and Ted Yudain

Absent: Nicholas Bellantoni, Charles Bunnell, Philip Eliasoph, Daniel Heffernan, John Hollander, Harvey Hubbell V., Ed Marcus, Ed McKeon, Guy Ortoleva, Paul Pozzi, Leo Redgate, Clem Roy, Rita Schmidt, and Walter Woodward

Staff & Guests: David Bahlman, Randy Fiveash, Leigh Johnson (Recording), George Norfleet, Karen Senich and An-Ming Truxes

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the full Commission was held on Monday, March 2, 2009 at the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism and was called to order.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ted Yudain, second by Fritz Jellinghaus, to approve the minutes of February 2, 2009 meeting as circulated. (Y-13, N-0)

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Michael Price Reporting

The Chairman reported that these are questionable times for the Commission in terms of where the Commission is going both in terms of funding, and whether the Commission remains an independent agency or is merged into DECD.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – Karen Senich Reporting

The legislative session is moving forward.

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. On a motion by Ted Yudain, second by Carolyn Cicchetti, the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism approved sixteen (16) new performing artists/groups for inclusion in the CCT Directory of Performing Artists. (Y-13, N-0)**
- B. On a motion by Ted Yudain, second by Ann Sheffer, the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism approved seven (7) new teaching artists for inclusion in the CCT Directory of Performing Artists. (Y-13, N-0)**
- C. On a motion by Will K. Wilkins, second by Ted Yudain, the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism approved the 2009 fiscal year budget for Connecticut Arts Collection in the**

amount of \$200,000.(Y-13, N-0)

- D. Action Item D was withdrawn from consideration.
- E. On a motion by Ted Yudain, second by Ann Sheffer, the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism approved an application filed by Historic Neighborhood Preservation Program, Inc. for a Basic Operational Support grant, year 1, in Stamford in the amount of \$23,000.
(Y-13, N-0)
- F. On a motion by Sandra Evoy, second by Fritz Jellinghaus, the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism approved survey and planning grant fund program – state funding grant awards for six (6) applicants, funding provided by the Community Investment Act totaling \$63,500. (Y-13, N-0)
- G. Fritz Jellinghaus amended Action Item G to reflect review and consideration for the CT Trust for Historic Preservation – Community Cultural Planning and Action Plans. The two remaining projects listed are being withdrawn from consideration.
- On a motion by Fritz Jellinghaus, second by Ann Sheffer, the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism approved the Special Project: CT Trust for Historic Preservation – Community Cultural Planning and Action Plans. (Y-12, N-0, Recusing – Commissioners Higgins & Fiederowicz)
- H. On a motion by Carolyn Cicchetti second by Arthur Diedrick, the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism approved the revised distribution of FY 2009 Interest Earnings. (Y-12, N-0, Recusing – Commissioners: Sheffer for Westport Country Playhouse; Hale for Opera New England; McHugh for Goodspeed; Price for Goodspeed; and Wilkins for Real Art Ways.)

VI. **OTHER BUSINESS**

No new business at this time.

VII. **MOTION TO ADJOURN** – a motion to adjourn was made, and so moved. All were in favor.

VIII. **NEXT FULL COMMISSION MEETING** – Monday, May 4, 2009, 1:30 p.m., One Constitution Plaza, main conference room.

Future Actions

- None at this time.

Tabled Items

- None at this time.

Respectfully submitted by:
Leigh Johnson, Recording Secretary