

New Haven Festivals Inc. Board Meeting

May 3, 2018

Attendees: T. Buxbaum, C. Clair, D. Curran, W. Davis, N. Franco, S. Fries, G. Kozlowski, B. Parker

Staff: A. Wolf, K. Futrell

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by B. Parker at 3:05pm.

Approval of Minutes

B. Parker called for a motion to approve the February minutes. Motioned by G.Kozlowski, seconded by C. Clair.

Motion passed.

Year to Date Budget

G. Kozlowski reviewed the year to date financials. The balance includes funds set aside for the Neighborhood Cultural Vitality Grants.

Directors Report

The art selection process for the Strong School Percent for Art has begun. The school is expected to be complete in late 2019.

Town Green and Jazz Haven have partnered to develop a Friday Happy Hour series in downtown restaurants June through August. Town Green in collaboration with the Arts Council of Greater New Haven will host a public art light display in several windows of vacant Audubon Street storefronts to enliven the area.

International Women's Day event hosted by the Mayor is scheduled March 8 has been rescheduled for May 16 at The Graduate Club.

The Sister Cities agreement was formally signed during the Mayor's recent trip Changsha China. Two companies have expressed interest conducting business in New Haven as a result of economic efforts during the trip. Additionally, an exhibition of Chinese artifacts has been in discussion.

Joe Standard's Portrait of America exhibition will formally be unveiled on June 8. Samples of the outdoor images can currently be viewed inside the City Hall Atrium and on the highway facing side of the Pirelli building.

The INFO New Haven storefront at College and Chapel Streets will soon be managed by Jackie Buster of Wow Creative. The storefront will be redecorated and include more New Haven themed gifts for purchase.

The city has partnered with Site Projects and Artspace to submit a proposal highlighting the waterfront along Long Wharf for the Bloomberg public art grant.

Old Business

None discussed.

New Business

Members discussed a sponsorship request in the amount of \$10,000 for the 20th Anniversary Gospelfest. Motioned by G. Kozlowski, seconded by T. Buxbaum. Motion passed with request organizer submit a final report that includes documentation by a professional videographer.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 4:08pm.