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**Connecticut Arts Council Meeting**

**Tuesday December 7, 2021**

**1:00 pm**

**Via Zoom Conference Call**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome & Introduction of new Council Members
   1. Calida Jones
   2. Judy McElhone
   3. Sofia LeWitt
3. Approval of Minutes from October meeting
4. Chairman’s Report – Jack Rosenberg

New Legislation (attached): Arts Advisory Panel to DECD

Discussion of Mission and Function of the Arts Council

Discussion of Council Members Roles & Responsibilities

Discussion of new entity: Friends of the Arts Council

1. Action Items:
   1. Approval of items from Office of the Arts
2. Director’s Report – Liz Shapiro
3. Other Business
4. Adjournment

***The next Connecticut Arts Council meeting is not yet scheduled.***

New Legislation re: Arts Advisory Panel to DECD:

Sec. 11. Subsection (b) of section 12-376d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) There shall be appointed, as part of the Department of Economic and Community Development, an advisory panel to consider the proposed acceptance of any such work of art. The advisory panel shall prepare a written statement as to acceptance or rejection of any such work of art for the purposes of this section. In each instance, said panel Raised Bill No. 936 LCO No. 3738 12 of 29 shall consist of eleven members, including the chairperson of the [Culture and Tourism Advisory Committee] Connecticut Arts Council and two generally acknowledged experts as to the particular type of visual art work under consideration, as determined by said chairperson, with such appointments to be made by said chairperson and approved by the [Culture and Tourism Advisory Committee] Connecticut Arts Council.

In addition, said advisory panel shall include eight members of the General Assembly, with two of such members appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of such members appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of such members appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, two of such members appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of such members appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives and one of such members appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.

*New Advisory Board: Friends of the Arts Council*

Requirements of Membership

Support of the Arts in CT, Support of the Council Activities and Priorities

Participation in a local or state-wide Arts Organization, or

Artistic participation in one of the supported Arts

Attend at least 2 Council Meetings, plus attend required number of Friends of the Arts Council Independent meetings.

Nomination to Friends Council

Nominations by Council Members, Governor, or COA Staff

Election to Friends Council

Majority of quorum at Council Meeting

Length of Term: 4 years, with one renewal.

Removal from Council

Majority of quorum at Council Meeting.