

**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF THE ARTS**

**Connecticut Arts Council Foundation Meeting  
September 13, 2021  
2:15 pm  
Via Zoom Conference Call**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Present:** Jack Rosenberg, Mary Ellen Eckels, Adriane Jefferson, Ted Yudain, Fritz Jellinghaus (Chair Emeritus)

**Absent:** Jan Dilenschneider

**Staff:** Elizabeth Shapiro, Tamara Dimitri, Bonnie Koba, Rhonda Olisky, Kolton Harris, Lu Rivera, Jane Schneider

**I. Call to Order**

The Foundation Meeting was called to order at 2:15 pm.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of July 20, 2021.

Motion: Ted Yudain  
Second: Mary Ellen Eckels  
(Y-4; N-0)

**III. President's Report**

Mr. Rosenberg discussed the general criteria for selection of CT Arts Foundation members. The proposed structure by statute consists of 13 members with 3 suggested to be existing Arts Council members. The proposal is for the Foundation to be a fundraising and grant distribution organization.

Ms. Elizabeth Shapiro would like a methodology/process created for the nominating of new foundation members. Ms. Shapiro will check with the Office of Policy and Management on the process of getting approval from the Governor's Office.

Mr. Ted Yudain would like to see the foundation raise funds for arts related projects for the entire state without being in competition with other organizations who provide similar

funding. Mr. Yudain proposes that members review other foundations bylaws and certification processes.

Mr. Rosenberg will schedule a conversation to discuss possible candidates and credentials for nomination as a member of the Arts Foundation. Ms. Shapiro reminded all that any discussion held with five seated members requires a public notice.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

Mr. Ted Yudain reported that things are the same as the last report. As of the June 30<sup>th</sup> statement there has been no activity with the checkbook. On deposit is \$34,996.22 the breakdown of those funds on hand is \$27,192.50 earmarked for Hot Schools and the non-Hot Schools amount in the foundation account is \$7,803.72.

**V. Other Business**

None.

**VI. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Ted Yudain, seconded by Mary Ellen Eckels, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jane Schneider  
Administrative Assistant