

**ARTS COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2015; 3:00 PM  
KIAWAH ISLAND MUNICIPAL CENTER  
DOWNSTAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM**

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order:** Mrs. Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:30AM.
- II. FOIA:** Notice of this meeting has been published and posted in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Kiawah Island.
- III. Roll Call:**  
**Present:** Mary Johnson, Chair  
Bill Blizzard  
Judy Chitwood  
Jodi Rush  
Robert Hill  
Becky Hilstad  
Joan Collar
- Absent:**
- Also Present:** Stephanie Braswell-Edgerton, Administrative Assistant
- IV. Approval of Minutes:**
- Mr. Blizzard motioned to approve the minutes of Cultural Events Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2015 and Arts Council Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2015. Mrs. Rush seconded the motion.**
- Mrs. Johnson motioned to amend the agenda under New Business adding item B. Member Emeritus. Mr. Blizzard seconded the motion.**
- V. Old Business:**
- A. 2014/2015 Arts Council Season Calendar and Financial Review**

Mrs. Johnson stated that the 2014/2015 Arts Council Events are complete and she will be going through the budget actuals to close out the budget for the season. Mrs. Johnson encouraged the committee to complete their event evaluations and turn them in to Mrs. Braswell-Edgerton.

Mrs. Johnson stated that Mrs. Braswell-Edgerton would like to recreate the format of the Arts Council Annual report that is published each year. She stated she is excited about the new format and is looking forward to developing the new layout. Mrs. Johnson reviewed some of the past Arts Council Annual Reports.

## B. 2014/2015 Cultural Events Fund Season Calendar and Financial Review

Mrs. Johnson stated that the 2014/2015 season has only one event left the Piccolo Comes to Kiawah May 28th event. She will be going through the budget actuals to close out the budget for the season.

## VI. New Business:

### A. 2015/2016 Planning Session Discussion

The committee discussed the following events:

| 2015/2016 Arts Council Proposals Updated 5/6/15 |           |          |   |          |                |         |                    |        |               |          |                       |                                       |
|---|-----------|----------|---|----------|----------------|---------|--------------------|--------|---------------|----------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Votes   | Category  | Member   | Events  | Artist   | Piano & Tuning | Misc.   | Misc. Notes        | Accom. | Food/Supplies | Total    | Location              | Tentative Dates                       |
| 7   | Misc.     | AD       | Piano Bar 1 of 6 - Glenn Brown                              | \$250    |                | \$25    | cleanup            |        |               | \$275    | Sandcastle            | Wednesday, September 16, 2015 (5-7pm) |
| 7   | Misc.     | AD       | Piano Bar 2 of 6 - Joy Project Group                        | \$400    |                | \$25    | cleanup            |        |               | \$425    | Sandcastle            | Wednesday, September 23, 2015 (5-7pm) |
|   | Vocal     | Collar   | Lowcountry Voices   | \$7,500  |                |         |                    |        |               | \$7,500  | Holy Spirit           | Sunday, September 27, 2015 - 4pm      |
| 7   | Misc.     | AD       | Piano Bar 3 of 6 - Gary Pecorella                           | \$250    |                | \$25    | cleanup            |        |               | \$275    | Sandcastle            | Wednesday, September 30, 2015 (5-7pm) |
| 7   | Theatre   | Hilstad  | Pure Theatre - <i>Outside Mullingar</i>                     | \$7,400  |                | \$1,400 | risers             |        |               | \$8,800  | Turtle Point          | Saturday, October 17, 2015 - 7:30pm   |
| 4   | Vocal     | JR       | North Shore Acappella                                       | \$7,000  |                | \$200   | sound              | \$350  |               | \$7,550  | Turtle Point          | Wednesday, October 21, 2015 - 7:30pm  |
| 5   | Chamber   | Hilstad  | Haochen Zhang, pianist                                      | \$5,000  | \$800          |         |                    | \$120  |               | \$5,920  | Church of Our Saviour | Sunday, November 1, 2015 - 4pm        |
| 7   | Jazz      | Chitwood | Freddie Cole Trio   | \$6,500  | \$800          | \$700   | sound              | \$165  | \$75          | \$8,240  | Seabrook              | Wednesday, November 4, 2015 - 7:30pm  |
| 7   | Holiday   | Hill     | CofC Madrigal Singers & Feast                               | \$2,500  |                |         | \$90pp             |        | \$550         | \$3,050  | River Course          | Sunday, December 6, 2015 - 6:30pm     |
| 7   | Holiday   | JR       | Burning River Brass   | \$12,000 |                |         |                    | \$740  |               | \$12,740 | Holy Spirit           | Thursday, December 17, 2015 - 7:30pm  |
| 5   | Jazz      | BB       | Bria Skonberg   | \$7,500  | \$800          | \$200   | sound              | \$350  |               | \$8,850  | Seabrook              | Saturday, January 9, 2016 - 7:30      |
| 7   | Band      | Chitwood | Liquid Pleasure   | \$5,000  |                | \$1,150 | dancefloor/glasses |        | \$250         | \$6,400  | East Beach            | Friday, January 22, 2016 - 7:30pm     |
| 5   | Chamber   | JR       | Washington Sax Quartet with Young Artists Saxophone Quartet | \$3,000  |                | \$400   | student honorarium | \$330  |               | \$3,730  | Church of Our Saviour | Sunday, January 31, 2016 - 4pm        |
| 4   | Orchestra | Hill     | Charleston Symphony Orchestra Beethoven                     | \$13,000 | \$175          |         |                    |        |               | \$13,175 | Holy Spirit           | Sunday, February 21, 2016 - 4pm       |
| 6   | Chamber   | Hilstad  | Joshua Roman, Cellist with piano                            | \$5,000  | \$800          |         |                    | \$165  |               | \$5,965  | Church of Our Saviour | Sunday, March 13, 2016 - 4pm          |
| 5   | Misc.     | BB       | David Holt and the Lightning Bolts                          | \$5,000  |                | \$200   | sound              | \$350  |               | \$5,550  | Turtle Point          | Saturday, March 19, 2016 - 7:30pm     |
| 7   | Vocal     | Hill     | New York Polyphony  | \$6,000  |                |         |                    | \$330  |               | \$6,330  | Holy Spirit           | Sunday, April 3, 2016 - 4pm           |
| 7   | Misc.     | AD       | Piano Bar 4 of 6  | \$250    |                | \$25    | cleanup            |        |               | \$275    | Sandcastle            |                                       |
| 7   | Misc.     | AD       | Piano Bar 5 of 6  | \$250    |                | \$25    | cleanup            |        |               | \$275    | Sandcastle            |                                       |
| 7   | Misc.     | AD       | Piano Bar 6 of 6  | \$250    |                | \$25    | cleanup            |        |               | \$275    | Sandcastle            |                                       |
| 7   | Misc.     | Collar   | Art Film 1 of 4   | \$200    |                | \$10    | coffee             | \$50   |               | \$260    | Sandcastle            | 2016: January                         |
| 7   | Misc.     | Collar   | Art Film 2 of 4   | \$200    |                | \$10    | coffee             | \$50   |               | \$260    | Sandcastle            | 2016: January                         |
| 7   | Misc.     | Collar   | Art Film 3 of 4   | \$200    |                | \$10    | coffee             | \$50   |               | \$260    | Sandcastle            | 2016: February                        |
| 7   | Misc.     | Collar   | Art Film 4 of 4   | \$200    |                | \$10    | coffee             | \$50   |               | \$260    | Sandcastle            | 2016: February                        |

| 2015/2016 Cultural Events Funded Updated 5/6/15 |  |                                |              |                 |                 |             |  |
|---|--|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| Organization                                    | Event  | Date                           | Location     | Previous Funded | Current Request | Recommended | Comments   |
| Moranz Entertainment                            | TBD- High Energy Rock Show                         | Wednesday, July 15, 2015       | East Beach   | \$25,000        | \$25,000        | \$25,000    | Venue \$750  |
| Lowcountry Voices Music Group                   | Lowcountry Voices with Charlton Singleton          | Sunday, September 27, 2015     | Holy Spirit  | \$3,000         | \$15,000        | \$7,500     |  |
| Charleston Symphony Orchestra                   | Charleston Symphony Orchestra Concert              | Sunday, November 08, 2015      | East Beach   | \$35,000        | \$40,000        | \$35,000    | Venue \$750  |
| The Kurland Agency                              | John Pizzarelli Quartet with Jessica Molaskey      | Thursday, February 04, 2016    | East Beach   |                 | \$25,000        | \$15,000    | Town Ticketed event - Proceeds to cover piano backline cost, accomodations         |
| Judy Carmichael                                 | Judy Carmichael's Jazz Inspired from Kiawah Island | Mon.Feb. 22- Wed.Feb. 24, 2016 | River Course | \$34,350        | \$35,100        | \$34,350    |  |
| Ballet Evolution                                | French Twist: An Evening of Ballet and Jazz        | Saturday, March 05, 2016       | East Beach   |                 | \$25,000        | \$12,000    |  |
| Columbia City Ballet                            | Aladdin  | Saturday, March 05, 2016       | East Beach   | \$25,000        | \$25,400        | \$25,400    | Venue \$750  |
| Gary Erwin                                      | 12th Annual Blues by the Sea                       | Sunday, April 10, 2016         | Freshfields  | \$15,000        | \$15,000        | \$15,000    |  |
| Office of Cultural Affairs                      | 2016 Piccolo Spoleto Preview                       | Sunday, May 01, 2016           | Holy Spirit  | \$4,000         | \$6,250         | \$4,000     |  |
| Office of Cultural Affairs                      | Piccolo Comes to Kiawah                            | Wednesday, June 08, 2016       | Mingo Point  | \$4,000         | \$6,250         | \$4,000     | Venue \$500<br>Town ticketed event - Proceeds to cover food \$45 adults \$25 child |
| BME, LLC  | Quentin Baxter presents ...                        | Three dates, TBD - Summer      |              |                 | \$20,000        | \$20,000    | Ticketed event   |

Mrs. Johnson stated that contracts can be released June 3<sup>rd</sup> and the committee needs to send in their event planners to Mrs. Braswell-Edgerton so she can begin drafting performer contracts.

Mr. Blizzard stated that Bria Skonberg has a new date Saturday, January 9th at 7:30pm at Seabrook Island House. He stated there are several items on their rider he has discussed with them that cannot be accommodated. There will be five people that will need accommodations.

Mrs. Johnson stated that the committee needs to discuss the two ballet proposals and decide if they want two ballets. The Ballet Evolution fee would need to be reduced because it is a small ballet. She stated that if the Lowcountry Voices proposal moves to the Arts Council budget they could accommodate the Columbia City Ballet proposal. The committee discussed and expressed a desire to support the local ballet theater but decided they did not want two ballets in one season.

Mrs. Chitwood stated that she had to pull Fred Hersh event due to a scheduling conflict and she will attempt to propose them again next season.

Mrs. Johnson stated that she will work on identifying which events will have to absorb venue fees and which ones will be comped.

The committee needs to identify the accommodation needs for each of their events so that can be requested to Wyndham. Mrs. Johnson stated that she will identify what Wyndham's maximum complimentary stays are and if the Council needs exceed that she will approach Andell Inn.

Mrs. Johnson stated that she has discussed with Mrs. Rush introducing a lecture event to the Arts Council programming, not to conflict with the Our World Series or Arts Etc.

**B. Member Emeritus**

Mrs. Johnson stated that Mr. deZanger has resigned from the Arts Council, but will remain as a Member Emeritus. He will still assist at events with lighting set up and greeting attendees.

**VII. Correspondence:**

None

**VIII. Committee Member Comments:**

Mrs. Johnson stated that the Town Administrator Ms. Rucker has submitted her resignation. She is due to return from medical leave at the end of May and will be here till the end of June. She stated that the Town will work with a firm to hire her replacement.

Mrs. Johnson stated that she is going to draft a job description and have Stephanie send out an eblast to Arts council recipients to see if there are interested parties on the island for volunteers to serve on the committee. They can take up to two new members if there are qualified volunteers who come forward. This does not mean there will be more events but rather the workload can be distributed.

Mr. Hill thanked the committee for coming to the Symphony concert at his house.

**IX. Citizens' Comments:**

None

**X. Adjournment**

**Mr. Blizard motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 PM. Mrs. Rush seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephanie Braswell, Administrative Assistant

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Q. Johnson, Chair

Date: \_\_\_\_\_