

**ARTS & CULTURAL EVENTS COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017; 2:00 P.M.  
KIAWAH ISLAND MUNICIPAL CENTER  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS CONFERENCE ROOM**

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order:** Mrs. Mezzanotte called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.
- 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:** Diana Mezzanotte, Chair  
Van McCollum  
Jodi Rush  
Robert Hill  
Bill Blizard

**Absent:** Joan Collar  
Becky Hilstad  
Judy Chitwood

**Also Present:** Marilyn Ferrell, Communications Assistant

**IV. Approval of Minutes:**

**Mr. Hill motioned to approve the minutes of August 2, 2017. Ms. Rush seconded the motion. The motion carried out unanimously.**

**V. Old Business:**

**A. 2017/2018 Arts and Cultural Events Season Planner and Financial Review**

The Council discussed the following events:

2017/2018 Arts and Cultural Events [Rev.9/26/17]

Member	Event	Date/Time/Location	Artist	Piano/Tuning	Misc.	Misc. Notes	Accom.	Food/Supplies	ACOM Budget	CEFA Budget	Ticket Info	Ticket Actuals	
Blizard	Festival Mountain Music	Sunday, July 2, 2017 3:00-5:00pm Freshfields	\$19,350							\$19,350			
Chitwood	Charleston Jazz Orchestra presents the Music of Steve Wonder	Sunday, August 13, 2017 7:30pm East Beach	\$17,500		\$780	COBY accommodations Venue \$500 Glasses \$280	\$350			\$17,500	460(230) \$20 Ticket C/O Profit		
Collar	Piano Bar Early Pecorella	Wednesday, September 13, 2017 5:00-7:00pm Sandcastle	\$250						\$250				
Blizard	Cynthia Bayer and Her Joyride Quartet	Friday, September 22, 2017 7:30pm Seabrook Island House	\$7,500		\$1,300	Town Ban Sound/Lighting \$600 Backline \$700	\$1,437	\$164	\$10,401		403(201)	In Person (310) E-tickets (312) Total (622)	
Chitwood	The Orion String Quartet with Tara Helen O'Connor	Wednesday, October 4, 2017 7:30pm Church of Our Saviour	\$7,000			Bill Lighting	\$719		\$7,719		345(172)		
Collar	Piano Bar Glenn Brown	Wednesday, October 11, 2017 5:00-7:00pm Sandcastle	\$250						\$250				
Blizard	Jason D. Williams	Thursday, October 19, 2017 7:30pm Seabrook Island House	\$6,500		\$1,250	Town Ban Sound/Lighting \$600 Backline \$600 Venue \$280	\$1,437	\$200	\$9,387		403(201)		
Rush	Bill Euliffe Trio	Friday, October 27, 2017 7:30pm Turtle Point Clubhouse	\$4,500	\$980	\$1,480	Town Ban Sound/Lighting \$600 Backline \$600 Venue \$280	\$621		\$7,581		288(144)		
Collar	Piano Bar The Joy Project	Wednesday, November 1, 2017 5:00-7:00pm Location TBD	\$400						\$400				
Hilstad	Charleston Symphony Orchestra (Following our Homes)	Saturday, November 11, 2017 5:00pm East Beach	\$35,000		\$280	Town Ban Venue Free Glasses \$280				\$35,280			
Collar	College of Charleston Madrigal Singers	Sunday, December 3, 2017 6:30pm River Course Clubhouse	\$2,500					\$550	\$3,050		136 Dinner/Hours \$90 KFC/Club Profit		
Hilstad	Burning River Brass	Monday, December 18, 2017 7:30pm Holy Spirit Catholic Church	\$12,000			Bill Lighting	\$1,662	\$100	\$13,762		748(374)		
Chitwood	Quentin Baxter presents Rodney Jordan Quintet	Thursday, January 11, 2018 7:30pm Turtle Point Clubhouse	\$20,000			Venue Free				\$20,000	288(144) \$25 Ticket Baxter Profit		
Collar	Art Film #1	Friday, January 12, 2018 Time & Location TBD	\$250					\$50	\$300				
Collar	Art Film #2	Friday, January 26, 2018 Time & Location TBD	\$250					\$50	\$300				
McCollum	Lowcountry Voices	Sunday, January 28, 2018 4:00pm Holy Spirit Catholic Church	\$6,000			Bill Lighting			\$6,000		748(374)		
Collar	Columbia City Ballet presents A Midsummer's Night Dream	Tuesday, January 30, 2018 7:30pm East Beach	\$19,900		\$280	Town Ban Venue Free Glasses \$280	\$286			\$19,866	250(125)		
Chitwood	Liquid Pleasure Supershow	Friday, February 2, 2018 7:30pm East Beach	\$5,500		\$1,805	Town Ban Venue \$500 Glasses \$280 Backline \$500		\$200	\$7,505		460(230) \$10 Ticket Town Profit		
McCollum	Cantus	Tuesday, February 6, 2018 7:30pm Holy Spirit Catholic Church	\$14,000			Bill Lighting	\$1,437	\$200		\$15,637	748(374)		
Chitwood	Quentin Baxter presents Ulysses Owens Friends	Thursday, February 8, 2018 7:30pm Turtle Point Clubhouse				Venue Free				\$0	288(144) \$25 Ticket Baxter Profit		
Collar	Art Film #3	Friday, February 9, 2018 Time & Location TBD	\$250					\$50	\$300				
Chitwood	Wycliffe Gordon and His International All-Stars	Monday, February 12, 2018 7:30pm East Beach	\$11,000	\$980	\$1,530	Town Ban Venue Free Glasses \$280 Backline \$500 Sound/Lighting \$600	\$798			\$14,308	460(230) \$10 Ticket Town Profit		
Collar	Art Film #4	Friday, February 23, 2018 Time & Location TBD	\$250					\$50	\$300				
Rush	Young Artists Concert: Vocal Students of David Templeton	Sunday, February 25, 2018 4:00pm Church of Our Saviour	\$1,500	\$180					\$1,680		345(172)		
Hill	Bach Society of Charleston	Sunday, March 4, 2018 4:00pm Holy Spirit Catholic Church	\$13,000			Bill Lighting			\$13,000		748(374)		
Blizard	Moran Entertainment presents Legendary Voices	Thursday, March 8, 2018 7:30pm River Course Clubhouse	\$14,000		\$2,800	Stage Ban Chair \$200 Sound/Lighting \$600				\$16,800	300(150) \$10 Ticket Town Profit		
Chitwood	Quentin Baxter presents Harry Allen Quartet	Monday, March 12, 2018 7:30pm Turtle Point Clubhouse				Venue Free				\$0	288(144) \$25 Ticket Baxter Profit		
Hilstad	Charleston Symphony Orchestra: History of Concerto	Sunday, March 18, 2018 4:00pm Holy Spirit Catholic Church	\$12,500	\$180		Bill Lighting			\$12,680		748(374)		
Collar	Piano Bar #4	Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:00-7:00pm Location TBD	\$250						\$250				
Collar	Piano Bar #5	Wednesday, April 4, 2018 5:00-7:00pm Location TBD	\$250						\$250				
Rush	Yury Shadrin, Tian Lu, Duo Pianists	Sunday, April 8, 2018 4:00pm Church of Our Saviour	\$3,500	\$1,160		Bill Lighting (107) Ban Chair \$200	\$350		\$5,010		345(172)		
Blizard	14th Annual Blues by the Sea	Sunday, April 15, 2018 3:00-7:00pm Freshfields	\$15,000							\$15,000			
Collar	Piano Bar #6	Wednesday, April 18, 2018 5:00-7:00pm Location TBD	\$400						\$400				
Rush	Project Trio	Friday, April 27, 2018 7:30pm Turtle Point Clubhouse	\$7,000		\$1,180	Town Ban Venue \$180 Sound/Lighting \$600 Backline \$300	\$670	\$75	\$8,925		325(162)		
Rush	Piccolo Preview	Sunday, May 6, 2018 4:00pm Holy Spirit Catholic Church	\$4,500	\$180						\$4,680			
<b>Total</b>										<b>\$109,708</b>	<b>\$178,421</b>		

Arts Council Budget Breakdown	
spendable	\$108,500
contingency	\$6,500
admin	\$3,000
total	\$118,000

Trackable	
spendable	\$108,500
contingency	\$6,500
estimated ticket/profit	\$3,910
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$118,910</b>
<b>Events Total</b>	<b>\$109,708</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$9,202</b>

Cultural Events Budget Breakdown	
spendable	\$179,000
contingency	\$3,000
total	\$182,000

Trackable	
spendable	\$179,000
contingency	\$3,000
estimated ticket/profit	\$6,460
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$188,460</b>
<b>Events Total</b>	<b>\$178,421</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$10,039</b>

Mrs. Mezzanotte reported that Ms. Collar had asked Church of Our Saviour to host the November's Piano Bar since the Sandcastle will be closed. She stated that they may also be able to host the spring Piano Bars there also if the Sandcastle is still under construction.

Ms. Rush stated that Bill Cunliffe has not confirmed whether he requires an extra night of accommodations. She stated that she would follow up to get a final answer. The additional night would be paid by the artist.

Ms. Ferrell told the Council that she had finished the publicity for all the events through 2017, and that she would be emailing it to each Council member to be reviewed and edited.

Mr. Hill discussed the Madrigal Feast event encouraging the Council members to really push selling tables. He stated to make sure guests know that the \$90 dinner is all inclusive including dinner, wine, entertainment, tax and gratuity.

Mrs. Mezzanotte reported for Mrs. Hilstad that the Charleston Symphony Orchestra event in November is in order. Mrs. Mezzanotte asked if tickets were given out for the event, and Mr. Hill confirmed that no tickets are required. Mrs. Mezzanotte stated that Seabrook is also hosting a CSO event. She has inquired if any tickets would be made available to Kiawah residents, but she has not gotten a response yet.

Mr. Blizard stated that Cynthia Sayer wanted to have a videographer to record the event on September 22. He asked the Council if they had any reservations with this request. The Council stated that they did not believe it would be an issue as long as it did not interfere with any patron's view.

**VI. New Business:**

None

**VII. Correspondence:**

None

**VIII. Committee Member Comments**

Ms. Rush stated she had a productive conversation with Charles Fox regarding piano rentals and tuning. She stated that he only requires a special tuning for 9 ft. Steinways not the 7 ft.

Mr. Hill began a discussion on if the Arts Council could function as a 501(c)(3) or as separate organization apart from the Town. Mrs. Mezzanotte stated that Town Council wants the Arts Council to evaluate their current process as an arts organization within the Town, and whether the Arts Council could be managed differently. The Council members discussed in-depth their opinions on the value of the current Arts Council including how it functions and potential improvements. The Council agreed that it is important to evaluate the Arts Council to ensure it is performing at a high standard. The Council agreed they would not be interested in functioning as a separate entity apart from the Town.

**IX. Chairman's Comments:**

Mrs. Mezzanotte presented some questions and ideas she had for the Arts Council survey. She stated she believes the survey will be helpful in showing Town Council how the residents and public value the Arts Council. The Council discussed how the survey should be structured. Mrs. Mezzanotte stated that her

main concern with the survey is that survey participants may get confused with what the Town is able to provide versus what KICA provides. Mr. Hill suggested possibly finding a professional or someone who has experience with writing surveys that could assist.

Mrs. Mezzanotte stated she wants the Council to recruit a new member. She stated that she thinks the Town Council is concerned with the Arts Council struggling to get new membership. She employed the Council to seek out new members of the community who would like to work with them.

**IX. Citizens' Comments:**

None

**X. Adjournment**

**Mr. Blizard motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m. Ms. Rush seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted by: Marilyn Ferrell  
Marilyn Ferrell, Communications Assistant

Approved by: Diana Mezzanotte  
Diana Mezzanotte, Arts Council Chair

Date: 10/6/17