



Month/Date: MARCH 9, 2022
Time: 4:30pm
Location: PROJECT OPEN DOOR
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Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86162798763?pwd=Uys1Z2c4dk56VWZOODlabXExa2VVdz09>

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Rhode Island Art Education Association is to offer professional opportunities, support and advocacy for leadership and globally.

Board Members

Highlight Name to Indicate Present

Bold Name if Joined on Zoom

Susan Kolenda - President

- President-Elect

Michelle Turner - Past-President/
Professional Development

**Liz Fontaine - Interim Secretary/
Educator Awards**

Kelly Rodrigues- Treasurer

**Adam Ferbert - Interim
Membership**

**Kristin (Heynan) Murphy - ED & I
Director/Events**

Tara Villanova - Cultural Appropriation
Gianna Palazzo - Webmaster and Social
Media

Jill Cyr - Awards/Exhibit Chair

**Louriann Mardo-Zayat - Educator
Awards**

Barbara Wunderler - WAA Awards

Kerri Marshall- YAM Co-Chair

Rebecca Shipe - Higher Ed

Cheryl Williams - Higher Ed

Shana Cinquemani - Higher Ed

Agenda

RECAP:

- Updated RIAEA Board is available for anyone that would like a digital version
- Events will be limited to the following.....
 - April 30th– Cultural Appropriation Lesson Workshop (In-Person, NK High

- School)--Tara, go over tentative agenda attempt
- June – Board Networking Day/Afternoon Member Spring Event – Susan
 - October - Conference—Michelle to lead
 - March-Anchor Awards (Summer Planning) – Jill

COMMITTEE REPORT:

1. Membership (Adam/Gianna)

- a. Start back up with constant contacts soon!
- b. Finalizing information share google form.
- c. is there anything else we are missing that we need to do?

2. Website/Social Media (Gianna)

- a. Gianna to share updated Website (in progress)!
- b. the information share form will be the same form as the membership form (for constant contact).
- c. Need headshot photo from all board members asap please for website/socials
- d. YAM posts!

3. ED & I (Kristin)

- a. Cultural Appropriation PD Planning 4/30- (Tara)
- b. Rescheduled for April as in-person event

4. Professional Development (Michelle)

- a. Michelle to begin prepping for October Conference
- b. Board members present agreed to help with planning
- c. Drop & Draw (Mike Elson has agreed to help with the February event).
- d. **NAEA Convention 2022 folder:**
 - i. Add in presentations and resources from the convention to share with others!
 - ii. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Xy55SKsK-z_Hva7Bt1CB58lgRaLpwsj_?usp=sharing

5. Awards/Exhibits (Jill/Barbara)

- a. Wickford Center for the Arts:
 - i. New student entry guidelines
 - ii. Entry Deadline: 3/18/22
 - iii. 12-4pm
 - iv. [Application HERE](#)
- b. Warwick Center for Fine Arts: Emerging exhibit
 - i. Entry Deadline: 3/26/22
 - ii. [Application HERE](#)
 - iii. Do we offer a scholarship?
- c. Anchor Awards
 - i. Meeting with Jackie this coming Monday/Hope Artist Village
- d. The Educator Awards event was a huge success!

6. YAM

- a. Kerri & Tara are planning for Art Exhibits (virtual vs in-person)
- b. 31 Day Drawing Challenge printout, YAM Bingo with a prize/drawing?
- c. Instagram Takeover #RIyouthartmonth
- d. [YAM 2022 Visual Documentation](#)

e. [YAM Bingo](#)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Advocacy**
2. **Conference**
3. **Convention Share**

KELLY | TREASURER REPORT

Business Checking: 29,127.96
Deposits: + \$534.00
Debits: - \$777.82
Business Investment Account: \$1552.13
Monthly Maintenance Fee: \$0
Fixed Term CD: \$1,333.94

Meeting Minutes

- **Meeting Minutes**
 - Motion to approve the February Minutes by Adam
 - Gianna seconded
 - All approve
- **Current Board Information**
 - Board information is updated and now digital
- **Upcoming Events**
 - 4/30 - cultural appropriation workshop
 - Conference
 - Michelle
 - Anchor Awards
 - Jill starting in summer
 - April board meeting
 - Prout may be hosting April RIAEA Board Meeting
 - May board meeting
 - Cranston East to host May RIAEA Board Meeting
- **Membership (Adam/Gianna)**
 - Start back up with constant contacts soon!
 - Finalizing information share google form.
 - Using MA's art education form as a template
 - This will be used for both constant contact as well as social media
 - Working on compiling the list of all the art teachers in the state
 - Please send YAM and other photos, information, etc, to Adam and Gianna so they can send them out on constant contact and social media
 - YAM posts are being posted, please share to increase views

- Constant contact posts to go out:
 - Advocacy and YAM post to go out on 3/12 or 3/13
 - Constant Contact to go out this weekend about RI advocacy for secondary arts graduation credits
 - This statement is also on the RIAEA website on the home page
 - Cultural Appropriation save the date to go out 3/15 - 3/20
 - Mention it is an in person only event
- Goal to send out constant contact emails 1 to 2 times per month
- Anything else we are missing that we need to do?
 - Email Gianna and Adam
- **Website/Social Media (Gianna)**
 - Gianna to share an updated Website (in progress)!
 - the information share form will be the same form as the membership form (for constant contact).
 - Need headshot photo from all board members asap please for website/socials
 - YAM posts!
 - Already out on social media
 - Send any feedback about the website to Gianna
 - Need to remove the lesson and art making information on the website for the cultural appropriation workshop
 - Leave it as just a save the date for now
 - Post the Wickford and Warwick art show information on the website
- **ED & I (Kristin)**
 - Cultural Appropriation PD Planning 4/30- (Tara)
 - Rescheduled for April as in-person event
 - SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
 - 7 PM Tuesday, 3/15
 - Zoom call
 - Save the date needs to be sent out via constant contact
 - ED & I National coordinator
 - Jill is getting caught up with him later this week and will be able to report back with info at the April meeting
- **Professional Development (Michelle)**
 - Michelle to begin prepping for October Conference
 - Board members present at February meeting agreed to help with planning
- **NAEA Convention 2022**
 - NAEA Convention 2022 Shared Resources Folder
 - Add in presentations and resources from the convention to share with others!
 - https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Xy55SKsK-z_Hva7Bt1CB58lgRaLpwsj?usp=sharing
 - Discussed having an in person meeting to recap the conference in south county near Mike Elson and Prout school
 - RIAEA member event at the MoMA restaurant
 - About 45 people attended
 - Well run and good feedback from those who attended

- **Awards/Exhibits (Jill/Barbara)**

- **Wickford Center for the Arts:** New student entry guidelines **Entry Deadline:** 3/18/22 12-4pm **Application HERE**
 - Public schools or public charter only
 - Info to go on website
- **Warwick Center for Fine Arts: *Emerging* exhibit **Entry Deadline:** 3/26/22 **Application HERE**.....**
- Do we offer a scholarship?
 - In Kim Marconian's name
 - \$500
 - Adam makes a motion
 - Gianna seconded
 - All approve
 - Susan will reach out to Kim's family this week
 - If the family does not want the scholarship in her honor, we will change the name of the scholarship
 - Can be public or private schools
 - 16 - 21 years old
 - Cash prizes
 - Digital submission and then a drop off for a physical show
 - Show goes up the 1st week of April
 - Info to go on the website
- **Anchor Awards: Meeting with Jackie this coming Monday/Hope Artist Village**
 - **Tabled to april meeting**

- **YAM**

- Kerri & Tara are planning for Art Exhibits (virtual vs in-person)
- 31 Day Drawing Challenge printout, YAM Bingo with a prize/drawing?
- Instagram Takeover #Rlyouthartmonth
- YAM 2022 Visual Documentation
 - This gets sent to the council that does the prizes for YAM
 - Compilation of data from last year
 - Still working on updating the information for this year
 - Increasing data or events from last year will make RIAEA eligible to win a cash award as well.
 - Needs to be documented in photos
- YAM Bingo
- State House and Senate proclaiming YAM on Thursday, 3/10
 - Susan, Tara, and Kerri to represent RIAEA
 - Includes RIAEA, RISCA, and the RI music, theater and dance education organizations
- Jill has a show opening today
- YAM buttons are on the way
- Swag of the RI YAM flag arrived
- Swag for the students who submitted designs for the RI flag is on the way
- Fidelity show did not happen this year
 - Fidelity did not host

- Inquiry about a show in south county from a member
 - Barbara said there is not too much going on in South County
- Need to make it clear that YAM organizers are not planning exhibitions all over the state
 - Need to find representatives for each part of the state who can send RIAEA information about exhibitions in their respective region
 - This will be easier once the art teachers contact list is updated
 - Possible representatives:
 - Nancy Brinly
 - Jill Armstrong
 - Middletown
- **NEW BUSINESS**
 1. **Advocacy**
 - Advocacy team
 - Susan, Nancy Brinly, Mia Thompson, Sue Root, Melissa Chapman
 - Maggie Anderson put together this group
 - Only public school teachers, not private
 - On RIAEA website
 - Position statement on home page
 - Written by Maggie Anderson and RISCA and the committee representatives of the arts learning network
 - Approved by Maggie Anderson
 - Informs members that the secondary graduation arts credit requirement is changing
 - Friday, 3/11 - RIDE Zoom Meeting with advocacy group
 - RI Art Ed official public comment at this meeting
 - Position Statement
 - The numbers on the bottom are sections of the law that directly affect the arts credit
 - Added research about social emotional impact of the arts
 - Members are contacting RIAEA to ask about our stance on the matter
 - Public comment meetings will start next week
 - Can go in person or email public comments
 - Need to make an easy version to copy and paste into emails to send in for the public comments
 - District superintendents can take these laws and restructure their curriculum
 - Varies by district how many credits they want to require
 - Laws are also vague
 - Stacy Wilbur and Chariho art teachers concerned that the current position statement is not strong enough
 - They want the position statement to advocate for increasing the credits to 21 instead of just 20
 - Thursday, 3/10
 - Arts learning network meeting to revise the position statement
 - Will add part about the coursework
 - Proficiency is determined via coursework
 - Possibly discuss the option of a flex credit

- 2 of the 20 credits have to be in language
 - 1 of the 20 credits have to be a personal finance class
 - The flex credit allows students to choose a class in a variety of subjects they are interested in.
 - This could be hit or miss
 - RI Music does not support this as they view this as stating the arts are not a core subject
 - The revised position statement will be presented at the RIDE zoom meeting on Friday, 3/11
 - Susan will send out the information about the official, updated position statement and the public comment sessions.
 - Will send on Saturday 3/12
 - Possibly reach out to Rosemary Burrows for advocacy support
 - Try to reach out to members within each of our regions to either go in person to the public comment session or submit a written comment via email
 - Shana willing to reach out to RI congressmen with this advocacy issue
 - This restructuring of the graduation credits is affecting many different subjects, not just art and music
 - Susan and Jean may talk to their superintendents to see if their superintendents can write an advocacy statement saying why they are keeping the arts graduation credit requirement in their districts that could be sent out to other superintendents in RI.
 - If they are currently writing a statement, could they email it to RIAEA so we can send it out as well
 - Reach out to Susan with any information
- 2. Conference**
- Table until April Meeting
- 3. Convention Share**
- Susan has receipts for Kelly from the convention