



**Month/Date:** JUNE 24, 2022  
**Time:** 4:00pm  
**Location:** Prout High School  
4640 Tower Hill Rd  
Wakefield, RI 02879  
**RIAEA Mailing Address:**  
PO Box 41546  
Providence, RI 02946

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**Zoom Meeting Link:**  
No zoom meeting this month

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### MISSION STATEMENT

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

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## Board Members

Highlight Name to Indicate Present  
Bold Name if Joined on Zoom

Susan Kolenda - President

Jill Cyr - President-Elect / Awards / Exhibit  
Chair

Michelle Morissette -  
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

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

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## Agenda

### RECAP:

- Advocacy

### COMMITTEE REPORT:

1. Membership (Adam)
  - a.

2. **Website/Social Media** (Gianna)
  - a.
3. **ED & I** (Kristin)
  - a.
4. **Awards/Exhibits** (Jill/Barbara)
  - a. Anchor Awards
  - b. Yearlong Exhibits Calendar
  - c. Educator Exhibition
5. **Professional Development** (Michelle)
  - a. RIAEA 2022 Conference
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6. **Art Educator Awards** (Louriann/Liz)
  - a. Application information sent out
  - b. Deadline 7/1/22
7. **Elections** (Susan)
  - a. President Elect
  - b. Membership
  - c. Treasurer
  - d. Secretary

## NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.

## KELLY | TREASURER REPORT

**Business Checking: \$**  
**Business Investment Account: \$**  
**Fixed Term CD: \$**

## Meeting Minutes

- **Meeting Minutes**
  - No motion to approve meeting minutes made
- **Recap**
  - ADVOCACY UPDATE
    - RIDE proposal to change high school graduation requirements
    - Arts Learning Network
      - Advocacy committee formed of HS art teachers
      - Participated in meetings with RISCA and RIMEA
      - Led by Maggie Anderson
      - Over 400 public comments made by RIAEA and RIMEA to RIDE
        - Due to the overwhelming number of public comments, they have postponed the change to the requirements to allow more time to review all of the public comments

- The public comments enlightened Steve at RIDE about what goes on in our classrooms and how it benefits our students
- **Membership (Adam)**
  - Encourage your art educator coworkers to join RIAEA!
- **Website/Social Media (Gianna)**
  - No Update
- **ED & I (Kristin)**
  - Ed & I leison/representative
    - Looking to bring a new person on board for next year for the second year cycle
  - Can be part of a committee at the state level as well
    - Do not have to be part of the board
  - Cultural appropriation workshop ran in April
    - Run by Tara and were very successful
  - Biannual conference will have an ED & I pathway
  - RI is committed to the ED & I work
  - Concerns about the national conference in Texas
    - Nationals views having the conference in a state that does not necessarily align with NAEA views as purposeful
- **Awards/Exhibits (Jill/Barbara)**
  - Move away from Scholastics
    - Financially not feasible
    - Amount of work required not sustainable for RIAEA to run
  - Anchor Awards
    - To replace scholastics
    - Jill Cyr in charge
    - Award scholarships on a state level
      - Increase recognition for students in RI
    - March 2023
      - Dates will be sent out soon
        - Should be sent out in September
      - Show at Hope Artist Village for entire month of march
    - 6th-12th grade
    - Goal to have submissions be virtual, then only need to matte the pieces accepted into the exhibition
  - Yearlong Award Calendar
    - will be sent out that has the dates of all of the award opportunities
    - Will be sent out in August
  - Educator Exhibit
    - Application deadline 7/24/22
    - Open to all educators in RI can enter this show
    - Runs 8/27 - 9/24
- **Professional Development (Michelle)**
  - 2022 RIAEA Biannual Conference
    - Michelle Morissette in charge of the conference
    - 10/22/22

- At Cranston West High School
  - Three different pathways to choose from
    - SEL - Socioemotional Learning Pathway
    - Ed&I Pathway
    - Creativity Pathway
  - Three time sessions as well
  - Part of grant money from the state will be used for presenters at the conference
  - The last session is a division session, separated into Elementary, Middle School, and High School
    - Time to address group specific concerns
    - Possibly ran by the Higher Ed representatives
    - Largely participant led
  - Call for presenters will be sent out soon
  - Email Michelle Morissette or [presidentriaea@gmail.com](mailto:presidentriaea@gmail.com) with any ideas for the conference
- **YAM (Tara/Kerri)**
  - No Update
- **Art Educator Awards (Louriann/Liz)**
  - Deadline 7/1/22
  - Please forward the constant contact email to your principals to help advocate for you and your colleagues
- **Elections**
  - Jill Cyr for President Elect
    - Michelle Morissette nominated
    - Liz Fontaine seconded
    - All Approved
  - Adam Ferbert for Membership
    - Tara Villanova nominated
    - Kerri Marshall seconded
    - All Approved
  - Kelly Rodrigues for Treasurer
    - Adam Ferbert nominated
    - Jill Cyr seconded
    - All Approved
  - Liz Fontaine for Secretary
    - Kerri Marshall nominated
    - Michelle Morissette seconded
    - All Approved
- **NEW BUSINESS**
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