



Month/Date: October 12, 2022
Time: 4:30pm
Location: Cranston West High School
80 Metropolitan Ave
Cranston, RI 02920
RIAEA Mailing Address:
PO Box 41546
Providence, RI 02946

Zoom Meeting Link:
No zoom meeting this month

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Rhode Island Art Education Association is to offer professional opportunities, support and advocacy for leadership and service in order to advance the quality of visual art and design education locally and globally.

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 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

Brianna DeLuca

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MEETING LOCATION:

FINAL ASSEMBLING OF MATERIALS FOR CONFERENCE PROMPTED

LOCATION CHANGE!!

Agenda

MEETING MINUTES:

- Approval of September minutes?
- Meeting minutes from the previous month will be sent to all board members by the secretary (Liz) when the President (Susan) emails the agenda for the upcoming meeting. Meeting minutes will be sent to the President one week after the meeting for review.

RECAP:

- October - Conference—Michelle to lead
- March-Anchor Awards (Summer Planning) – Jill
- Art on a Cart Event—Kerry/Tara

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Majority of the Meeting will be focused on Conference & Anchor Awards—breaking into groups to finalize specifics

- 1. Advocacy Update (10 Minutes)**
- 2. Membership (Adam)**
 - a. Adam
 - b. Calendar
 - c. STEAM EVENT - Jill
 - d. Member Event – Adam
- 3. Website/Social Media (Gianna) (10 Minutes)**
- 4. ED & I (Kristin) (10 Minutes)**
- 5. Art Educator Awards (Louriann/Liz)**
 - a. Announce winners
 - b. Share award event postcard
 - c. Discuss award for a past presidents
 - d. Will be giving out invitations to award winners and nominators
 - e. Need to order food and plaques
 - f. Need to pick up state house citations, flowers, and gifts
 - g. Will be sending digital announcement to Gianna and Adam for the website and constant contact
 - h. Volunteers to set up early and help break down?

NEW BUSINESS:

KELLY | TREASURER REPORT

Business Checking: \$ 22,923.77

Business Investment Account: \$1,552.22

Fixed Term CD: \$ 1334.26

Venmo: 577.84

- Kelly is looking into opening an interest bearing savings account for nonprofits

Meeting Minutes

• Meeting Minutes

- MONTH meeting minutes motion to approve by Jill
- Seconded by Kelly
- All approved? Yes
- Meeting minutes from the previous month will be sent to all board members by the secretary (Liz) when the President (Susan) emails the agenda for the upcoming meeting. Meeting minutes will be sent to the President one week after the meeting for review.

• Recap

- October - Conference—Michelle to lead
- March-Anchor Awards (Summer Planning) – Jill
- Art on a Cart Event—Kerry/Tara
 - Small attendance with some RISD students as well
 - Ended up being a round table
 - Possibly end up being an event that travels to different parts of the state

• ADVOCACY UPDATE

- Susan is working on getting a written statement from RIDE
- Meeting with the K-12 council at RIDE on 10/3/22
 - RIMEA and RIAEA were represented during public comment and made statements
 - Both made a public comment thanking the council for taking the time to listen to our concerns, but that their solution was not enough
 - Put together a list of 7 tasks for RIDE to incorporate to demonstrate clear support for the arts. The list submitted by David Neves is below:

SEVEN TASKS FOR RIDE TO DEMONSTRATE CLEAR UNAMBIUOUS SUPPORT FOR THE ARTS FOR EVEY CHILD

If these regulations are approved and move forward as presented, and if RIDE is truly serious about ensuring that its nation leading ARTS PROFICIENCY GRADUATION REQUIREMENT for all students, is going to be authentic, meaningful, implemented and followed by all districts, then it must:

1. Clearly define for all districts that in these documents, the ARTS means coursework in Music, Visual Arts, Dance, Theater and Media Arts that follow the Rhode Island adopted NCAS Arts Proficiency standards for high school students.
2. Clearly defines what the minimum expectation in each of the Arts needs to be for a student to be determined "proficient" in one of the Arts, as defined by the RI adopted National Standards in the Arts for HIGH SCHOOL students.
3. Monitor and ensure that all credit bearing courses that are being used to develop and determine Arts proficiency are taught by licensed/certified Arts educators.
4. Ensure that every high school in the state, including vocational schools and charter schools includes sufficient arts course work to allow students to demonstrate arts proficiency as defined by the state, and offers at least **two** different genres of the arts, clearly defined as Music, Visual Arts, Dance, Theater or Media arts.
5. Ensure that every school district in the state, including charter schools, offers a rich enough comprehensive Arts education **Pre-K through Grade 8** to ensure students enter high school with enough foundational skills in the Arts to be ready to work towards high school level proficiency in their chosen art form.
6. Ensure that every student in the state who meets "proficiency" in one of the Arts has achieved a level of proficiency in that chosen Art form to be accepted by Rhode Island College or URI into a degree track program in that chosen Art form.
7. Expand the currently advertised part time, RISCA embedded, Arts Education Coordinator Position into a permanent fulltime RIDE employed member equal to the status of the other content area coordinators at RIDE. In a clear demonstration that RIDE doesn't appear to truly embrace the academic nature and power of the Arts for all students, the current 25 hours per week, no benefits, advertised position for "Arts Education Coordinator consultant" does not even appear on the RIDE website as an available position.

RESPECTUFLLY SUBMITTED

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- The changes proposed to graduation requirements are going to significantly change how all RI high school schedules structured
- There will be a brief overview of the proposed changes announced at the biannual conference

- **Membership (Adam)**
 - Constant contact
 - Numbers are good for percentage of emails opened
 - Calendar
 - Printed, but need to make some additional changes and reprint
 - STEAM EVENT - Jill
 - 11/17/22 - Thursday
 - 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
 - Cranston High School East
 - 2 different workshops
 - Moveable Puppets (Liz)
 - Kinetic wheels in motion sculpture (Jill)
 - Will be sent to other education associations for their members to sign up as well
 - Constant contact info will be printed to hand out at the conference and sent to Susan to forward along to the other education associations
 - Jill and Liz will meet to discuss additional details
 - Member Event - Adam
 - 12/9/22
 - Scheduled during our regular meeting time, so no formal board meeting this day
 - At Mudstone Studios at Hope Artist Village in Pawtucket, RI
 - 6 PM - 9 PM

- **Website/Social Media (Gianna)**
 - Please send information **at least two weeks in advance**
 - Please share any RIAEA posts you see on social media
 - Forward constant contact emails to other art teachers in your district or any emails about events like the STEAM event to principals in the district
 - We eventually need to have a PR chair who is solely in charge of marketing, etc.
 - Discuss sending relevant events to all RI principals, for example, the anchor awards

- **ED & I (Kristin)**
 - Will have an ED & I information table at the conference
 - Promote the ED & I committee at the conference as well
 - Interested in going through the training that the MA ED & I committee did
 - Doing more research about the training program first
 - Would like to run another workshop in the spring like the cultural appropriation this past year

- **Awards/Exhibits (Jill/Barbara)**
 - Anchor Awards
 - Hope Artist Village canceled via a phone call with Jill, but rescinded the cancellation after Jill reached out via email.

- Hope Artist Village will be submitting a proposal to host the event
 - Jill reached out to RIC to see if they could host this event and is waiting to hear back from everyone involved
 - RIC needs assurance of the insurance policy from us
 - Capacity of the lounge is also a concern
 - Reception and podium at the arts center
 - Capacity limit would determine who is invited to the opening
 - Do two separate openings/time slots, one for middle school and one for high school?
 - Same day, just two different time slots
 - Becky needs a list of all dates and locations we would need to use
 - Once the event is listed in the system, it will generate a list of the numbers
 - Judging for award winners will be after the artwork is hung with Mary
 - We will responsible for bringing all hanging hardware and returning the space back to hanging ready
 - RIAEA logo needs to be added to the info brochure and the colors of the brochure adjusted if needed
 - Possibly add the text from the RIAEA logo in one or two additional spots to ensure it is being seen
 - Remove the pattern
 - Add anchor awards logo to the front of the brochure
 - Anchor awards logo
 - Change the location of the word awards
 - New logo sent from Brianna approved
 - Awards
 - Wave awards
 - Gold anchor awards
 - Silver anchor awards
 - Look into URI, CCRI, or other higher education institutions to host the anchor awards
 - Additional information for the anchor awards will be sent out in November
- **Professional Development (Michelle)**
 - Conference 10/22/22
 - List of people who want to have a table at the conference
 - Four rooms for workshops
 - All rooms need projectors or screens and chromebooks
 - Presenters need to bring their own laptop
 - C1-12 and C1-6 for art making workshops
 - Library room 110 SEL workshops
 - Open part of library ED & I workshop
 - Opening and keynote in library open space
 - Cafeteria
 - Lunch and vendors
 - Breakfast/coffee
 - ED & I table

- STEAM table
- Lobby
 - Check In table
 - Only RIAEA swag in the lobby
 - Need two large tables from cafeteria without benches
- Set up Friday after school and Saturday morning
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- **YAM (Tara/Kerri)**
 - Contacted fidelity in Smithfield and they are interested in sponsoring YAM and hosting a student art show
 - Tara interested in talking to students at RIC and RISD about YAM
- **Art Educator Awards (Louriann/Liz)**
 - Award event at St. Basil the Great Church Hall
 - 11/3/22 - Thursday
 - 6pm
 - Announce winners
 - Share award event postcard
 - Discuss award for a past presidents
 - Will be giving out invitations to award winners and nominators
 - Need to order food and plaques
 - Need to pick up state house citations, flowers, and gifts
 - Will be sending digital announcement to Gianna and Adam for the website and constant contact
 - List elementary art educator award and special education art educator award separately
 - Volunteers to set up early and help break down?
 - Some past presidents still active in RIAEA, some are involved in the advocacy for the HS arts
 - Friend of the arts award
 - Currently discussing nominees
- **Higher Ed**
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- **NEW BUSINESS**
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