Meeting Minutes

**Location:** Perkerson Elementary School

October 29, 2016

**Time:** The meeting was called to order by Ty Woods at 10:14am

## In attendance

Ty Woods, Chris Woods, Mike Bracey, Tiana Fernandez, Rob Albertson, Johnathan Mason, Mohua Thakarta, Devonya Johnson, Rose Majors

## Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from the July 30, 2016, meeting and approved.

## Board Discussion

* Financial- Donate $500 per year or raise $2000 in contributions
* Seek out potential board members: HR reps, possible grant writers, etc.
* Attend at least 3 events per year
* All board members will be up for re-election in 2017

## Budget

* Organization over-budget and took out a business loan to carry cash flow

## Executive Director’s Report

The Organization is In Current Need of:

* Transportation van for after school programs
* School supply donations from local universities (SCAD)
* Theaters or auditorium space for Artportunity showcases

After School Programs

* + Enrichment classes focusing on specific arts outside of school hours available for underserved youth
  + Donations are used to bring cost down to $35-$40 weekly (normally $65.00 program cost) for families in Need
  + Offering parents the opportunity to donate time to lower program costs
  + Looking into ASP for Gwinnett County schools
  + Planning these programs to work towards “exposure performances” at the end of the session and offering ticket incentives for purchase.

2017 Projection

* More Grant writing (by hiring a part time Development Director)
* Fundraising (1 Annual Board fundraising event, 1 Organization fundraising event)
* Board member contribution (Give $500 or Get $2000, attend more than half events, recruit other members)
* Increasing pricing of enrichment programs (for those who can afford to pay regular price)
* Scholarships (Increase the number of students who attend by offering more scholarships for low income families)
* Look for a building that will house Artportunity Knocks programs and become a staple in the community

## New Business

* Election of new Board Members

Motion to vote Rob Albertson on to the 2017 Board of Directors

* + Aye: Ty Woods, Chris Woods, Mike Bracey, Tiana Fernandez, Mohua Thakarta, Devonya Johnson, Rose Majors

Motion to vote Johnathan Mason on to the 2017 Board of Directors

* + Aye: Ty Woods, Chris Woods, Mike Bracey, Tiana Fernandez, Mohua Thakarta, Devonya Johnson, Rose Majors
    - Quorum Met

Motion to vote Kristen Fancher on to the 2017 Board of Directors

* + Aye: Ty Woods, Chris Woods, Andrew MacDonald, Tiana Fernandez, Mohua Thakarta, Devonya Johnson, Rose Majors
    - Quorum Met

(Added) Virtual Voting results

* + Motion to vote Stephanie Graham on to the 2017 Board of Directors
  + Aye: Ty Woods, Chris Woods, Tiana Fernandez, Mohua Thakarta, Devonya Johnson, Rose Majors

Motion to vote Khoi Nguyen on to the 2017 Board of Directors

* + Aye: Ty Woods, Chris Woods, Drew MacDonald, Tiana Fernandez, Mohua Thakarta, Devonya Johnson, Rose Majors

## Committee Reports

* Special Events – Chair: Next year is the 10th year anniversary of the organization and the Inaugural Fundraising Event. Ideas on the table: Live performances from Artportunity Students, Award Show/Dinner, 5k Art Walk/Run, Golf Tournament.
  + Discussion Tabled to next meeting.
* Radio Station
  + Chair: Rose Majors – The cost of the radio station tower to be built is $25,100. An extension was filed for the construction permit to April 2018. Need help from the board planning a fundraiser

## Announcements

* + Michael Bracey announced Therell High school is possibly offering PATH for radio, music and film for High School Students and wants Artportunity Knocks to partner to provide internship opportunities for students

## Next Meeting

January 28, 2017, 12pm-2pm, TBD

Motion to adjourn was made at 12:32pm and was passed unanimously.