

# **Rahway Arts and Business Partnership Board of Trustees Meeting**

**January 5th, 2017 6:30pm**

**1544 Irving Street Suite #204, Rahway, NJ**

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This meeting was properly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Meeting was called to order 6:39pm

- I. Trustees Present: President Joel Schwartz, Treasure Ron Dolce, Danni Newbury, Patricia Kozlowski, Managing Director Ann Marie Williams, Artistic Director Amy Garcia Phillips

Larry Fishman entered the meeting at 6:41pm.

IV. Danni Newbury motioned to accept the minutes from the November 3rd, 2016 meeting with the amendment to note Larry Fishman and Danni Newbury joined the meeting during the Executive Session. Joel Schwartz seconded. Aye: 5 Nay: 0

V. Executive Team reported on the pop-up art gallery and studio space concept, radAIR (Rahway Arts District Artist in Residency), that will begin in February 2017 in a vacant store front in Park Square's retail space at 1535 Irving Street.

In December the RABP met with 5 property owners to discuss upcoming city beautification projects. Areas of interest include murals on the bus stop shelters, the property owners buildings, and the owners will work with the RABP to beautify the walkway between 1500 Main and 1501 Main.



The RABP is collaborating with Wizdom Media to create a curated Rahway Fringe Artisan Market in a “shared space” concept with the Rahway Prevention Coalition in 59 E Cherry Street building, to be renamed, “The Cherry Pit” . Danni Newbury agreed to help recruit artists.

Larry Fishman motioned to change the title of Artistic Director, Amy Garcia Phillips, to Executive Director. Patricia Kozlowski seconded the motion. Aye: 5 Nay: 0

The Executive Team reported the winner of the Winter Wonderland Window Decorating contest was The Irving Inn, the SHOP LOCAL RAHWAY initiative and the SID business anniversary list.

The Trustees agreed to extend an invitation to David Crespo, owner of Beana’s Para Siempre, to submit a resume to the nominating committee.

## VI. Financial Report

The Board voted to table the financial report until the next meeting.

The Managing Director reviewed possible projects for 2017 including public art projects and business support initiatives.

The Board requested the RABP logo contain the words “ Brought to you by the RABP”. The RABP will contact Wizdom Media to make the change.

## V.II New Business

Culture Crawl date has been selected as Sept 23rd, 2017\*. The Taste of Spring will be on April 21st followed by Restaurant Week, April 22- 29.

## VIII. Old Business



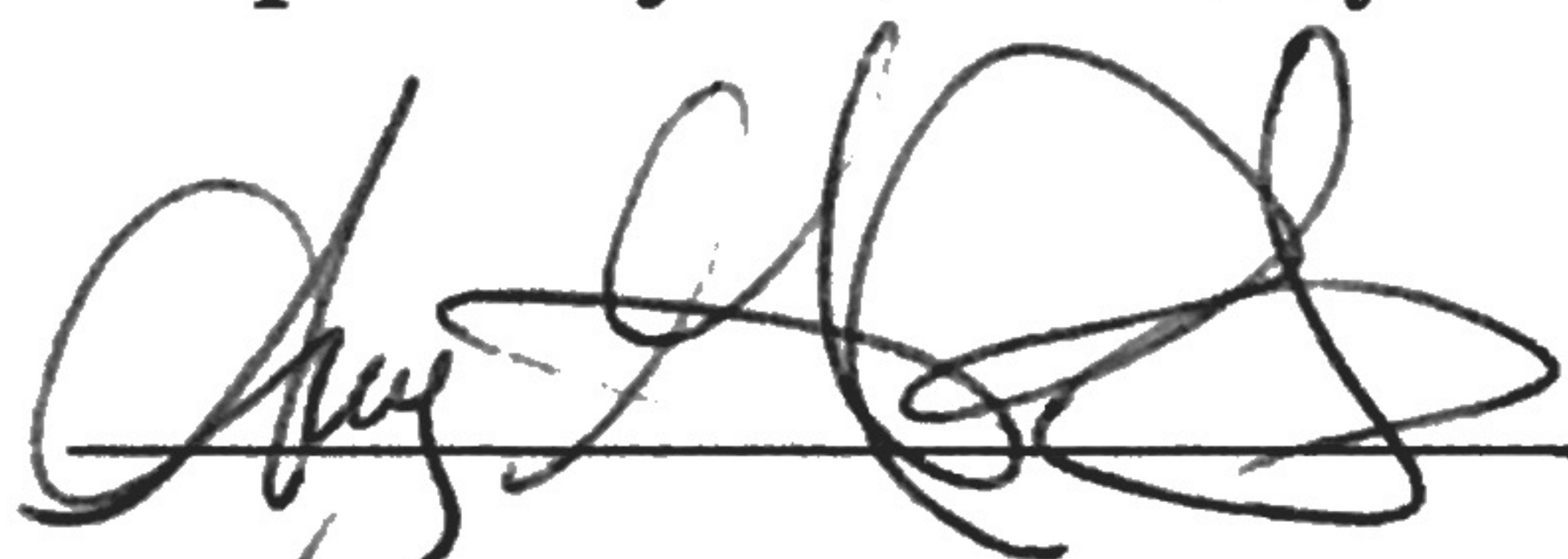
The Executive Team reported Winter Wonderland was a success and will help the city invest in better Holiday Decorations for 2017.

IX. Patricia Maye motioned to adjourned. Larry Fishman seconded the motion

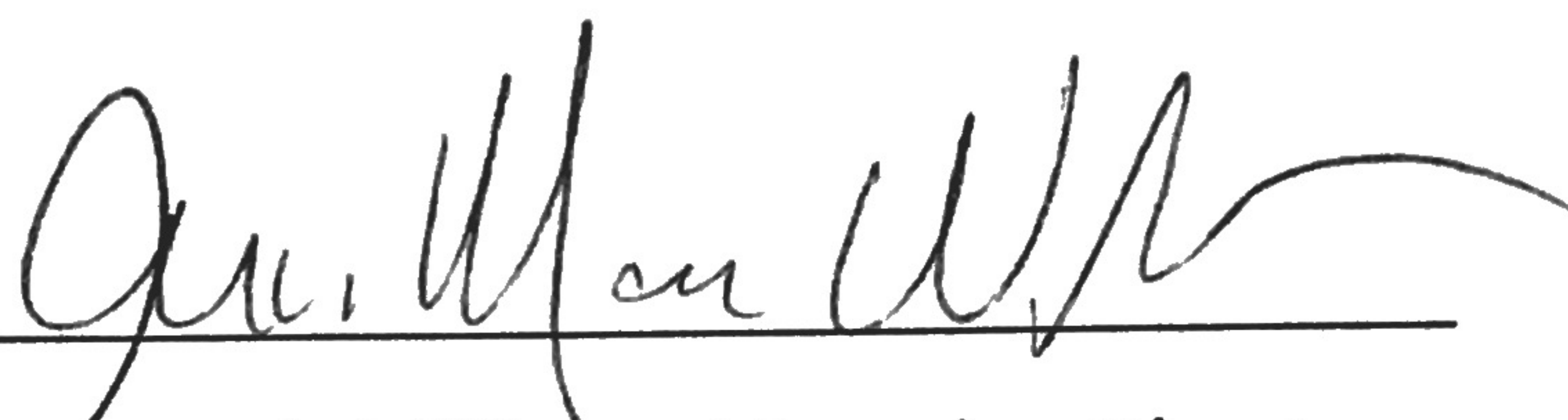
Aye - 5 Nay 0

Meeting Adjourned 9:12pm

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Amy Garcia Phillips, Executive Director

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Ann Marie Williams, Managing Director