Rahway Arts and Business Partnership Board of Trustees Meeting July 27, 2017 6:30pm

Hamilton Stage Performing Arts Center

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

The meeting opened at 6:39 pm

I. Trustees Present: President Joel Schwartz, Patricia Kozlowski, David Crespo, Danni Newbury, Councilman Rodney Farrar, Managing Director Ann Marie Williams, Executive Director Amy Garcia Phillips.

II. Joel Schwartz motioned to accept the minutes from May 11, 2017. Patricia Kozlowski seconded the motion. Aye: 3 Nay:0 Abstentions: 2

III. Executive Directors' Reported on current and recently completed art projects and City beautification initiatives throughout the town, including the bus stop murals by Joe Guis, the YARN ART! projects headed up by artist Linda Grant and the Adopt a Planter Program which is the initiative of the RABP and a collaboration of the Rahway Garden Club, DPW, City Hall, community members and now the Teenworks Kids.

Storytime on the Go! On Thursdays at 11 am at the train station plaza has created a following as well as generating interest in partners that will add additional programing to the event including members from the Health Department.

Culture Crawl 2017 on September 23rd from 1-6pm will be bigger and longer than in past years. Ann Marie Williams and Amy Garcia Phillips have been working with Matt Welty to create an extraordinary event. They have created a team of people to assist in

the planning. The City will be divided up into 10 areas, each with featured performers or attractions to draw the crowds. Shuttles will also be used to move festival goers around the town.

Danni Newbury suggested the RABP use AW Media Literature drop, which will leave palm cards in retail shops in the municipalities of the RABP's choosing.

IV. At the request of the Board, the Managing Director created a more succinct way of presenting the financials. For 2018, the RABP will have our initial budget approval meeting at the beginning of the year; recap where we are mid year and then have the final wrap up year end. Each board meeting we will present ending bank balance and an update on the SID payments received. Large program initiatives will be presented individually once they conclude. The Managing Director reported that the Taste of Spring accounting has been completed.

Sale	\$ 23,550.00
Sponorship	\$ 5,450.00
Expenses	\$14,703.95
Total Earned	\$ 14,296.05

The RABP Received a SID payment of \$32,500 June 2017. The City has not yet requested payment for the Shared Services.

Patricia Kozlowski motioned to accept the financials. Joel Schwartz seconded. Aye: 4
Nay: 0

V. The RABP has officially relocated to 2 City Hall Plaza, 2nd floor, Rahway, NJ 07065. The RABP will investigate changing the By-laws in order to allow the City Council representative to become a voting member of the Board.

VII. There was no old Business

VIII. There was no update from the City

David Crespo motioned to adjourn. Danni Newbury seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Amy Garcia Phillips, Executive Director

Ann Marie Williams, Managing Director

