

IHEAA Minutes from Fall Meeting: November 4, 2022, 10 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Virtual)

Attendees:

*G.E. Colpitts (Co-chair)—Judson University

Lisa Costello

Doug Johnson (Guest speaker)—Executive Director McLean County Arts Center, Lobbyist & Educator

Debra Kayes Halpern

Miles Halpern

Antonio Martinez

*Mac McAvoy (Board member)—Heartland Community College

*Nate Matthews (Webmaster)—Northeastern Illinois University

*Stephany Rimland (Secretary)—Harper College

*Al Shull (Co-chair)—Lincoln Land Community College

Albion Stafford—Illinois State University

Kat Meyers—Western Illinois University

*Denise Seif (Treasurer)—Parkland College

Lorrie Stahl—Assistant Dean Waubensee Community College

J. Stolz

Heather Weber

1. Welcome/Introductions: 10:00 am
2. Approval of the agenda and minutes.
 - a. Motion to approve agenda by G.E. Colpitts; seconded by Nate Matthews.
 - b. Motion to approve April 8 minutes by Nate Matthews; seconded by Mac McAvoy.
3. Officers' report:
 - a. Co-chairs
 - i. Al reported on the March 16, 2022, IAI panel meeting.
 - b. Treasurer
 - i. Balance as of November 4, 2022, \$1712.81
 - ii. Honorarium for Doug Johnson (Guest Speaker) \$200 paid
4. Guest Speaker: Doug Johnson Executive Director McLean County Arts Center, Lobbyist with the Arts Alliance in Illinois & Educator
 - a. Introduction by G.E. Colpitts
 - b. Topic of presentation: How to advocate for Supporting Art Education in Illinois
 - i. Key local organization for supporting the arts in Illinois is the Arts Alliance
 1. Arts Alliance in Illinois lobby in Springfield
 2. Passed large capital bills (57 million) to support the arts in Illinois
 3. Active in National Arts Advocacy Day in D. C.
 - ii. Utilize data and calculators on Americans for the Arts website for research and support

- iii. Get to know your representatives, network, establish relationships, and lobby in Springfield
 - iv. Collect and develop powerful narratives and stories of the importance of the arts in higher education to share and present in Springfield
 - v. Raise money for lobbying efforts
 - vi. Contact Michael Hernandez, V.P. of the Board of the Arts Alliance in Illinois to get involved
5. Wrap-up and Takeaways:
- a. Create shared drive where data and narratives can be exchanged and serve as a repository for future lobbying efforts
 - b. Develop database where institutions can collect and share data points
 - c. IHEAA should partner and get involved with the Arts Alliance of Illinois
 - d. Contact Antonio Martinez on Board of the Southern Arts Fund of SIU Carbondale
6. Ongoing Business:
- a. Possible topics for future meetings
 - i. Digital Arts introductory course
 - b. Discussion on including Diversity and Equity statement for the IAI checklist of courses for the IAI panel
 - c. Continue Introduction to Digital Media Course discussion as no further documents or examples were submitted
 - d. IHEAA Officer elections
7. Spring Meeting Dates:
- a. **Fall Officers meeting** will take place on April 20, 2023, 6:00 p.m. (virtual)?
 - b. **Fall IHEAA meeting (to be hosted by 4-year school)**
Meeting set for April 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (in person and virtual)?

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Stephany E. Rimland, Secretary.