



CITY OF DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION

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DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION MINUTES – FEBRUARY 22, 2010 MEETING

Present: B. DaSilva, H. Center, H. Bechard, J. Cherry, M. Schwartz, B. Feinson, G. Smith, M. Siegel; X. M. Burke

Minutes of Jan. meeting were passed.

1. **Indian Assoc. of Western Ct.**, Dr. Patel explained the background of IAWCT, a new intercultural fund raising group. They have done three events so far, and hope to have an Indian Festival in the summer on the CityCenter Green. They hope to get help from the City in funding a series of festivals. Some ideas were suggested by commissioners.

2. **Musicals at Richter**, Joyce Northrop, Artistic Director requested \$10,000 for their summer season of three musicals: "Grease", "42nd Street" and "Carousel". They have a new summer theater camp for 17 year olds, plus their regular Childrens Musicals. In spite of bad weather, their only big loss from last season was for musicians fees. At Wooster School they have 4 childrens performances and a total of 27 performers. Richter Musicals tickets are \$22 for adults; \$17 for seniors (an extra \$1 is included for funds towards Richter House installation.)

DCC Sponsored Events: B. DaSilva attended the **Ct. Ballet performance** at the Magnet School, one of the many local schools sponsoring the event/ He was very impressed with the five dancers, all performing various styles of dance: ballet, tap, Indian, hiphop and modern dance. They were all highly skilled professionals and had a lot of audience participation, he reported. J. Cherry saw the dancers at South Street School. He admired the quality of the performers and the very active involvement of the students. The Childrens Concert by the Danbury Music Center was very well done and extremely well

Coordinator's Report: M. Siegel announced the death of long time commissisoner Evelyn Durgy. It was suggested that a collection be taken up for a contribution towards an appropriate organization. Funds will be collected at the March meeting. The Coordinatar will take care of the arrangements.

Action Taken: Richter Musicals: M. Schwartz moved we grant \$6,000; B. Feinson seconded the motion which was passed.
Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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