## **Delaware Valley Arts Alliance**

March 10 Board meeting Informal Minutes (no quorum)

Present: Jeff Allison, Hans Küng, Bruce Bidwell, Hester Greene, Nancy Stevenson, Elizabeth Kubenik

We were one member short of a quorum, but we had a good discussion about the \$20,000 challenge by an anonymous donor to close the line of credit. Everyone was excited that we were closing in on the \$15,000 primary goal from both payments and pledges from board and former board members. Those present were also supportive of reaching out to the general membership to maximize the amount we receive. The finance committee will create the campaign language and most thought the timing could be tied to the end of the fiscal year – June 30.

Review of the directors report noted the following:

Two up-coming fundraisers:

March 31

Hans Küng's "Downtown II" fundraising party. We need all city folks invited. So if you have friends in the city please make sure they get an invitation.

April 9

Chuck and Andrea Heyn's Pancake Breakfast.

A Program Director will be hired by mid-April.

Two pop-up galleries are being planned. One in June (Monticello) and one in August.

## **Advocacy**

•Jeff Allison and Elaine Giguere attended an advocacy meeting in Albany and visited with Senator Bonacic.

In the Governor's budget, funding for the NYS Council on the Arts was not increased. The \$5M increase last year greatly assisted local arts groups. Along with colleagues throughout the state, we are asking for a \$5M increase.

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