



CITY OF DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION

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DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION MINUTES OF JUNE 27, 2011

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

Chairman DaSilva introduced new commission member Greg Wencek.

Minutes of last meeting were accepted.

Ct. Ballet, Brett Raphael announced that this is the groups 30th Anniversary and thanked us for our support . The Ct. Ballet will appear at *Ives Concert Park* at *WCSU's Lake Ave. Ext. on July 30 at 7:30 pm.* They hope this free program will become an annual event. It is a fully produced program and will include local dancers and musicians. He *requested \$3,750 for this program.* This years *programs in the Danbury Schools*, Backstage at the Ballet, is a history of ballet and jazz featuring 14 to 29 performers. The program cost is \$10,000 plus and is helped by support from the PTOs, the school district, the Danbury Cultural Commission and private organizations. *They are requesting \$7,500.* for the in schools program.

This is the fourth year of their scholarship program for local students which is helped by financial support from a diverse group of companies and individuals.. The Danbury students chosen have displayed amazing talents and we should be very proud of their abilities, he said.

Report on DCC Sponsored Events: B.DaSilva reported the *Danbury Music Centre Concert* on the CityCenter Green was very good and well attended. H.Bechard reported that the DCC Arts Scholarship Awards she presented at HAT were very well received.

Coordinator's Report: M. Siegel reported that the DHS student Art Scholarship Awards presentation went very well, and that thank you letters were received from the Poetry Awards presentations

Action Taken: H. Center moved we grant \$700 to Ct. Ballet for their performance taking place in July and \$1,800 out of next years budget for the in Danbury school program. Motion was moved, seconded and passed.

The next Danbury Cultural Meeting will take place on Monday, July 25, 2011.

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