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**Arts and Culture Commission CAPP Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Stamford Government Center, Stamford Connecticut**  
**Wednesday, September 5, 2018**

**1. Call to Order:**

Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM

**2. Roll Call:**

Commissioners Present: Lou Ursone, Valerie Cooper, Jennifer McIntosh, Michael Moran, and Angie Durrell

Absent: Lynne Colatrella

Staff: John Varamo, Program Manager of Stamford Arts & Culture

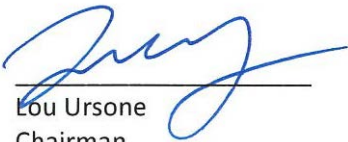
**3. CAPP Applications:**

- a. All Organizations who submitted applications are: Ballet School of Stamford, Connecticut Ballet, Franklin Street Gallery, Haitian American Professionals Association, Highland Green Foundation, Loft Artists Association, Shippan Point Association, Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County, and The Stamford Chorale.
- b. East Side Partnership Application
  - i. The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the application and Commissioner Moran made a motion to deny the application due to being submitted three days after the deadline. Commissioner McIntosh seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- c. Luminia String Quartet Application
  - i. Commissioner Moran recused himself before the discussion due to potential conflict of interest. The Commissioners reviewed the application and Commissioner Cooper made a motion to deny the application due to it being focused on youth music education, which is in violation of the CAPP Grant application guidelines. The applicant will be referred to apply for the City of Stamford Youth Music Grant instead. Commissioner Ursone seconded the motion which passed with four yays and Commissioner Moran abstaining.
- d. Musical Intervention LLC Application
  - i. The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the application and Commissioner Moran made a motion to deny the application due to the organization's for-profit status, and not having a non-profit co-applicant. Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- e. Treetops Chamber Music Society Application
  - i. The Commissioners reviewed the application and Commissioner Cooper made a motion to deny the application due to it being focused on youth music education, which is in violation of the

CAPP Grant application guidelines. The applicant will be referred to apply for the City of Stamford Youth Music Grant instead. Commissioner McIntosh seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- f. All other applications were discussed, were found to be within the CAPP Grant guidelines, and were recommended to be allocated funds.
  - g. Commissioner Moran recused himself from discussions of the Connecticut Ballet, Ballet School of Stamford, Luminia String Quartet, and Stamford Art Association due to potential conflicts of interest.
4. **Adjournment:**
- i. Chairman Ursone asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. Commissioner Cooper made the motion which was seconded by Commissioner Moran and passed unanimously. The meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,



Lou Ursone  
Chairman  
Arts and Culture Commission