



Art Educators of Iowa Council

Summer 2019 Meeting Minutes

The Mission Statement of Art Educators of Iowa Promoting art education through professional development, service, advancement of knowledge and leadership.	2018-2020 Strategic Plan: Building membership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using facebook, event's, website and online services more effectively • Increase old school personal contact, member wellness Leadership development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training with scaffolding • Incentives Communication and Professional Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stronger communication platforms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase outreach through facebook, Twitter & Instagram - Increase PD opportunities in AEA's & statewide
Location/Date	Ryumonji Retreat Center, 2452 Ryumon Rd., Dorchester, IA 52140
Present	<i>Kathleen Sweet, Melissa Nelson, Molly Ray, Cheryl Kruger, Morgan Singleton, Colleen Tomlinson, Jenna Darsee, Danny Lee, Liz Bloomberg, Megan Kleitsch, and Dr. Barbara Caldwell</i>
Absent	Sarah Peters, Maggie Parks, Andrew Hobson, Ellen Craig, Stephanie Mass, Libby O'Lear, Diana Fisher, Erin Almellen, Andrew McCormick, Wendy Miller, Maggie Harlow-Vogt & Margaret Caldwell
Committee Members/Guests	None

The meeting was called to order by Kathleen Sweet at 10:14.

Secretary: Cheryl Kruger- After the Spring Council Meeting Minutes were shared as a Google Doc, everyone read them over.

Liz Bloomberg motioned that the Spring Council Minutes be approved; Jenna Darsee seconded & the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer: Morgan Singleton-

A lengthy discussion about the proposed Budget for 2019-2020 took place.

Liz Bloomberg motioned that the amended Budget for 2019-2020 be approved; Danny Lee seconded & the motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion about how often to replace the Treasurer's computer. Morgan motioned that we replace it every 5 years. This would help with the transition of the subsequent treasurer.

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President - Kathleen Sweet-

Fall 2019 Conference Update: Storytelling

Oct. 10-12 in Decorah, IA at NICC and Downtown Decorah

- Locations are secured, Keynote speakers are lined up and logo is ready to go. Super job, Conf. committee!
- Need more sessions to fill the schedule

Zoom Meetings- We will have our online meetings through Google Meet. It allows for all of AEI Council Members to join in.

Historical Archives- It has been suggested that AEI obtain a grant to have an intern electronically archive our History. This could be placed on Team Drive. AEI would pay an amount per box of records archived. \$500/Box was suggested, but will depend on the grant money received.

Colleen motioned to archive AEI's historical documents electronically; Liz Bloomberg seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member's attendance was discussed by the people who were present. President Kathleen Sweet will send out a letter to encourage Council Members to fulfill their responsibilities or allow someone else to have the position. If they fill out their Conflict of Interest form by July 1, 2019, this will indicate that they want to continue being on the Council.

President Elect: Melissa Nelson

Western Region Conference in Kansas City- June 19-22. Melissa Nelson will represent AEI. Thank you, Ms. President Elect! :o)

We are still accepting nominations for: Treasurer (2019-2021)

President Elect (2020)

Membership Chairperson (2020)

Appointed Positions that need to be filled:

Supervision/Administration Rep -

All State Coordinator

Retired

High School Division Rep

Emerging Excellence Coordinator

Social Media Coordinator

Webmaster

Positions filled: President Elect- Melissa Nelson

Secretary- Cheryl Kruger

Programs & Resources- Morgan Singleton

Advocacy- Maddie Maddock

Preservice- Megan Kleitsch

Past President: Molly Ray-

2019 Awards given out at Fall Conference- The categories are:

Outstanding Elementary Art Educator

Outstanding Middle Level Art Educator

Outstanding Secondary Art Educator
Outstanding Higher Ed Art Educator
Art Educator of the Year
Rising Star Art Educator
Distinguished Service within the profession
Distinguished Service outside the profession

Award Nominations were due by May 1st. Those who were nominated for 2018 will be part of this year's nominees.

Membership: Sarah Peters-

We are down 78 members. We had 259 members in May 2018. We now have 181 members.

Programs & Resources: Morgan Singleton

_____ is tabled for the Fall Council Meeting.

All State: Only 1 scholarship is available from the University of Iowa. There is not an objective way to give this scholarship, so it's unknown if AEI can make this work with how All State artwork is judged. This will need further discussion. Also, All State needs to be divided into different divisions allow the small schools to compete with other small districts and have the large schools compete with each other.

Cheryl Kruger motioned to create divisions within the All State Art Competition to make it a more equitable competition; Kathleen Sweet seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Emerging Excellence: It's not finalized where the sites are going to be yet, but it looks like there will be 3 events across the state.

Youth Art Month Day went well in March. Christy and her committee did a great job again.

There was discussion about if the Traveling Show can continue. Jeanna Gerot would like to step down from this position.

Morgan Singleton motioned to retire the Traveling Show; Melissa Nelson seconded & the motion passed unanimously.

Mentoring/Iowa Alliance for the Arts: Leon Keuhner-

The Fine Arts Summit will be Thurs. June 20. This is the 1st time IAAE, Iowa Arts Council & the Dept. of Ed. have come together to present information about the Fine Arts Standards in Iowa. In the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) there is funding given for well rounded education. As we know, the visual arts are a big part of a well rounded education! These new federal funds, called Title IV, Part A or Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants (SSAEG), come through the Dept. of Ed. to local school districts.

To find out how to receive these Title IV, Part A funds, please go to the IAAE website and click on the news menu. Scroll down to the article: What You Need to Know: Understanding & Leveraging Federal Title IV Funds For Fine Arts Education in Iowa. It was written by Liz Fritz.

Leon also told us that the Mentor grant funding was approved. In addition, The Hinterland Music Festival will be the weekend of Aug. 3-4 in St. Charles, IA. There will be a booth to raise money for IAAE again. Please

consider donating necklaces, earrings, bracelets or other Art items for this. Liz Bloomberg will collect any items by Aug. 1 and bring them to the festival.

There will be an Iowa Arts Advocacy Caucus Day on Aug. 15. Pre-registration will be in early July. It will be a free event at Hoyt Sherman Place. This event will inform participants about how to ask candidates what their position is on Arts Education. There will also be information from each candidate on how they will support the Arts Education if elected. The event will be about 3 hours long. Watch your email for more information.

Leon wrapped up his comments by informing us that as he talks to our legislators, many of them ask about STEAM Education. Legislators want to support STEAM Education more than STEM, according to the questions and comments that Leon has heard.

Marketing and Promotions-Jenna Darsee

We need a different website to produce items with our logo printed on them. Cafe Press, the former website, has an expiration date to its use. Jenna will search for a new production company.

There was a short discussion about a request from UNI for our members contact information. UNI Art Ed. program wanted to send out information about its Masters degree program. The council agreed that our members information is private and we cannot give it out, even to a fine program like UNI Art Ed. Master's degree program.

Jenna told us that she is preparing to order aprons with our logo on them. Some will be given out as prizes at this fall's conference.

The last piece of good news is that Blick will be sponsoring our Fall 2019 Conference at the corporate level. Be sure to shop at Blick for your art supplies! :o)

Preservice- We welcome Megan Kleisch from Upper Iowa University! Thank you for helping us promote the Visual Arts, Megan!

Department of Education- Angela Matsuoka

Kathleen told us that Angela would like our suggestions regarding future points of collaboration with the DE. She showed us the posters that will be given out at the Fine Arts Summit on June 20. They are "I Can" posters That were designed for the Summit based on statements that the Visual Arts Leadership team developed.

One question that we as a council need to brainstorm on is this: how can we as the AEI Council help Angela to officially create state standard resources such as these posters? The DE would like more cornerstone assessment models.

Big time thank you's go to Wendy Miller, Maggie Parks, Ronda Sternhagen, Kathleen Sweet, and Colleen Tomlinson for working so very hard to develop and help plan the Fine Arts Summit on June 20 in Ankeny. THANK YOU SO MUCH for the extra time, driving and energy that you gave to help art teachers across the state.

Colleen Tomlinson left at 2:30 p.m. due to family needs.

Barbara Caldwell gave us an encouraging message about how Art Education builds up others and ourselves. She poignantly said, "Speak truth in tranquil & troubled times." She reminded us of the sacredness of balancing

rest and work. Barbara also said to remember that perfection is just an illusion that entraps us and brings us guilt. She gave each Council member 2 posters. One was about the beauty found in nature with a flowing line tree illustration. The other poster was about holistic art education and how it benefits students. The photograph on the poster was one that Barbara had taken.

Megan Kleitsch motioned that the meeting be adjourned; Jenna Darsee seconded the motion. There were 10 ayes. Danny Lee was the only nay. I guess he didn't want the meeting to end!

2019 AEI Calendar Dates:

- ✓ Sept. 30 - Fall Council, Virtual Meeting
- ✓ Oct. 12-13 Conference
- ✓ Dec. 1 YAM flag due
- ✓ Jan 1 - Legislator work due
- ✓ Jan 19 - Winter council meeting Monroe, IA and YAM submissions (Snow date 2/2)
 - March 3 Emerging Excellence- Osceola
- ✓ March 23rd - YAM / State Historic Building
- ✓ March 14-16 - NAEA 2019 Conference, Boston
 - April 6th - Spring Virtual Council Meeting
 - April 13 - Emerging Excellence- Davenport
 - April 27- Emerging Excellence-Cedar Falls
 - May 1 - Award nominations due annually
 - May 11 Allstate Awards Ceremony- Des Moines Art Center
 - May 31 - Presentation proposals due annually
 - June 10 - Executive meeting
 - June 14 & 15 - Summer Council Retreat and Meeting
 - June 19-22 - NAEA Leadership (Western Region): Kansas City, Missouri, Marriott Country Club Plaza
 - June 20 - Fine Arts Leadership Summit in Ankeny

- July 1- Council Members fill out Conflict of Interest form- check your email, friends!
- Oct. 5- Fall Council Meeting- Google Meet...check your AEI email, please!
- Oct. 10-12- Fall Conference in Decorah, IA
- Jan. 18- Winter Council Meeting in Monroe, IA at Prairie City-Monroe Elem. School
- Jan. 25- Snow make up date for Winter Council Meeting and YAM Art submission
- April 4th - Spring Meeting- Google Meet...please check your email for info. ;O)
- June 12th -13th- Summer Council Meeting tentative date- Ryumonji Retreat Center, Dorchester, IA

Upcoming Fall Conferences-

- 2020 Conference- U of I- Molly Ray
- 2021 Conference- Davenport with Figge Art Center
- 2022 Conference- Sioux City????

NAEA Conference Schedule

- 2020- Minneapolis March 26-28
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Marketing & Promotions: Jenna Darsee-

Marketing has begun contacting potential vendors for the conference. Dick Blick has agreed to sponsor our 2019 Fall Conference. If you have a potential company or vendor you think may not have been contacted, please email Jenna.

We want to have a merchandise table set up at the Fall Conference. We will need Council members who are willing to volunteer to serve shifts at the table to assist with this.

Communications: Colleen Tomlinson-

The password for our AEI Website (Council ONLY) page access needs to be updated. It is still "2017" and needs to be updated to "2019". I have called Weebly and I do not have authority to change it. I am happy to change it and update every year once I have access to do so.

Cheryl did go into the Weebly account and tried to change the password. She will now go into the Secretary's Admin. App on Google and give Colleen access to the webmaster email account so this can be updated.

Preservice - <https://www.desmoinesartcenter.org/careers/studio-education-teaching-intern>

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION- Art Education-Angela Matsuoka
Early Bird Registration Open!

June 20, 2019
8:00 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.
FFA Enrichment Center
Des Moines Area Community College
1055 S.W. Prairie Trail Parkway, Ankeny

Interested in learning more about Iowa's new fine arts standards? Are you new to the standards or familiar but needing more resources for alignment? Would you like to network with peers within your fine arts discipline and across all fine arts disciplines to have conversations around curriculum and best practices? Mark your calendars for the inaugural **Iowa Fine Arts Education Summit**. Come learn from leading state and national voices about the role the arts play in a 21st-century education and how pre-K-12 arts educators can make the most of their resources. The summit brings together teachers (who can earn a graduate or continuing-education credit), teaching artists, administrators, nonprofit arts leaders and others for a day of networking, learning and celebration organized by the Iowa Arts Council, Iowa Department of Education and Iowa Alliance for Arts Education.

Take advantage of our early bird discounted registration during the month of April! It is \$25 for the event & lunch if you register by the end of April. To register and learn more about the inaugural Iowa Fine Arts Education Summit, see the link below and visit our event page on Facebook.

<https://iowaculture.gov/arts/get-involved/iowa-fine-arts-education-summit>

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