AUTISM MONTH 2015

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 19th February 2015 Riverside Primary School, Stirling

Attendees: LA (Chair), JD, WS, CM, MS, VP

<u>In Attendance:</u> DD, AF, LR (Minutes)

Apologies: BM, SR, SF, JR, KH, HM, SC, KH, FES, LB

| Agenda Item | Action | Due Date |
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| (1) Minutes of previous meeting. | 7.00.0.1 | |
| Minutes to be circulated. | E-mail Minutes of last meeting. | 19/02/2015 |
| (2) Events Update & Planning | | |
| 4 Specific exhibition projects running: Alva Primary, St Modan's High School Enable, Scottish Autism. | | |
| Other schools accepted: Bannockburn, Callendar, Killin, Cowie, Riverside. | Catherine to meet with Bridget to confirm participants from units. | ASAP |
| Written Guidance has been requested by schools to clarify project parameters. | Lorene & Catherine to produce sheet based on the difference between "project / classroom" work. | 19/02/15 |
| Alloa Venue: New Struan School has set aside 23 rd March to 12 th April for exhibition. NB: this encompasses the Easter School holidays (2 weeks). | Post-meeting note: Struan School is now unavailable, LA is researching other potential venues in Alloa. | ASAP |
| Stirling Venue: to be confirmed ASAP. Cowane's Hospital may be out of commission. Other potential venues: Stirling Tollbooth, Made in Stirling. | CM to follow-up potential venues and confirm ASAP. | ASAP |
| Other Venues: Joanne has had a positive response from Coffee Shops in Stirling and Alloa. They will potentially display 1/2 artworks and an event poster. | LA to e-mail picture and project text to Wendy, who will create an A5 flyer for Joanne's coffee shop quest. | 20/2/2015 for LA. 27/02/2015 for WS. |
| <u>Forth Valley Hospital Promo</u> : confirmed for 2 nd -10 th April. | | |
| MacRobert Arts Centre Film: Vanessa confirmed that the preferred film was X + Y, produced by the BBC, and has a national release. | VP to confirm that BBC will allow MacRobert to show X + Y. And possible dates (3 viewings proposed) | ASAP |
| Vanessa suggested starting with a short film from Scottish Autism, followed by X + Y, finishing with an post-screening informal discussion/chat | VP to contact G at Scottish Autism to agree short film to be shown. | ASAP |

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| Vanessa also updated on internal events taking place for staff, these are: provision of Autism Training for staff, and creating an Autism Friendly Venue and Programme Strategy. | | |
| Battle of Bannockburn: Visitor Centre has confirmed an Autism Friendly event, which they will also publicise. | LA to meet with TD Acting Learning Manager shortly (date to be arranged) to discuss possible format | |
| (3) Exhibition Logistics | | |
| The following timetable was agreed: | Artworks Returned to Artlink. | 20/03/2015 |
| (ALL ADDITIONAL HELPERS/VOLUNTEERS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED!) | CM to purchase frames from IKEA. | 21-26/03/2015 |
| | Art photographed, framed, distributed to venues and hung. | 21-26/03/2015 |
| (4) Launch Event / Private View | | |
| There will be two launches for the exhibitions, with money available to cover travel costs for participants. | LA/LR & Committee to create an invite list for Launch Events. | 27/02/2015 |
| | LR to send "Save the Date" e-mail to Invite List, requesting RSVP. | 02/03/2015 |
| | LR to send Official Printed invitation to Invite List, requesting RSVP. | 09/03/2015 |
| (5) Marketing | | |
| LA outlined the Press & Media Strategy agreed by Stirling Council, and mentioned that she has a Media/ Communications student from Stirling University confirmed to assist. | Meeting planned on the 26 th of Feb to discuss possible strategy | 26/02/2015 |
| Martin offered his services in Facebook Advertising and Targeting to ensure maximum exposure of events. | MS/Media Student to meet to discuss joint social network strategy | ТВС |
| maximam exposure of events. | LA/CM/MS to ensure all information is ready 7 days before launch. | 23/03/2015 |
| It was agreed that Artlink could host a "pre-official" website on their own site until the official version is online. | CM to create "pre-official" page from Project Brief & Schools Brief. | ASAP |
| Web and Social Media activity to be backed up with printed materials being produced by Stirling Council, including a | LA to ensure all web, social media, and print media contain details of each participant and supporter. | ONGOING |
| map of venues. | MS/CM to ensure potential external participant web-pages have a link to our event page. | |
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| (6) Silent Auction | | |
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| Artlink agreed to assist with this item as they have previous experience of Auctions and have links to potential buyers. | CM/MS to explore buyer market research, including corporate. | 23/03/2015 |
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| Lorene showed an example of a release form allowing the artworks to be used for promotional purposes and sold at auction. | LA/CM to adapt existing form for this event. | ASAP |
| (7) Date of Next Meeting | | |
| | Thursday, 5 th March, 10.00am Municipal Committee Room 1 Municipal Buildings, Stirling | |
| | RSVP attendance to: rintoull@stirling.gov.uk | |