ChiArts PSO Board
Meeting Minutes
11/1/2021

Meeting called to order: 6:12pm

Total of 26 attendees by Google Meets or called in by phone

- **In Attendance:**
  - PSO Executive Committee and ChiArts Parents
  - Executive Assistant - Ursula McGregory
  - Department Heads
    - Whitney Bradshaw (Visual Arts),
    - Annie Calhoun (Theater),
    - Greer Reed (Dance),
    - Tina Boyer-Brown (Creative Writing and Artistic Director)
    - Anthony Bruno (Music)

- **Introductions of PSO Board Members**
  - **2021-2022 PSO OFFICERS**
    - President: Lori Simi (Christopher Commiso, Theatre, 2022)
    - Vice President/Volunteer Coordinator: Mary Munez (Natalie Lising, Creative Writing, 2025)
    - Communications Chair: Hazel Brown (Nahzeer Sanders, Visual Arts, 2025)
    - Treasurer: Toya Davis (Maya Davis, Dance, 2025)
    - Social Coordinator: Tisha Littlejohn (Yeva Guthrie, Theatre, 2023)
    - Fundraising/Merch & Concessions Chair: Jensea Chromy (Saula Chromy, Creative Writing, 2023)
    - Officer: Yvette Cisneros (Marisa Cisneros, Dance, 2023)
    - Officer: Liza Pappas (Lia Pappas, Music, 2022)
  - Parent Representatives to the Board:
    - Janette Cortez-Duewel (Anais Duewel, Theatre, 2023)
    - Angela Kiefer (Mia Kiefer, Visual Arts, 2024)

- **Presentation from each conservatory head**
  - Whitney Bradshaw, Visual Arts
    - Upcoming: 1st year feature show exhibition 12/10/21
  - Annie Calhoun, Theater
    - Upcoming: Show Tuesday 11/9/21
  - Anthony Bruno, Music
    - Jazz Ensemble performed at Navy Pier in September
    - Upcoming: Big Bash
  - Tina Boyer-Brown, Creative Writing
    - Students held a reading 2 weeks ago
    - Upcoming: Vol 6. ChiArts Writes
  - Greer Reed, Dance
    - Upcoming: Winter Show, ChiLatte Holiday
• All conservatories are getting ready for Connections Week
  o Tina Boyer-Brown, Artistic Director – Productions
    ▪ Upcoming: ChiArts students chosen to create a song for Netflix movie Louder than Words by 11/15
    ▪ There will be a literary class event at the Hatchery in East Garfield Park
    ▪ Levitate Literary Magazine accepts submissions from writers at every level

    ▪ Upcoming School Wide Events open to all students
      • Extravaganza- changed to April
      • Play
      • Musical

• Tina Boyer-Brown, Administrative Updates
  o In order to allow for social distancing there will be a limited number of tickets for performances
  o Students that would like to participate in extra-curricular afterschool events/rehearsals must show proof of vaccination or take weekly tests, passing all class and have good attendance
  o Students with 2 unexcused absences, tardies or early dismissal will not be able to participate in rehearsal that week
  o ChiArts is hiring a post-secondary counselor interviews are currently being held
  o Ms. Milsap has been back in the building since October a few days a week.

Meeting adjourned 7:05pm by Lori Simi  Next PSO Meeting:  12/7/21
Minutes submitted by: Hazel Brown, Communications Chair