April 20, 2015 Board Meeting
6:30-8:30pm

Nancy P, Alan Gold, Larry M, Duncan C, Kristin W, Cathy Sununu and Robin L-M were present.
Mike Texiera and Robin Albert were absent.

I. Approval of Mar. Minutes
Motion to approve the minutes was made by Alan, Kristin seconded, all approved.

II. Financial Update
Phil Cohen is a visitor this evening and is considering being our treasurer.

Nancy P gave a bit of a history of Art-Speak. She updated us on information about our non-profit/partnership with the city.
The board reviewed a proposal developed by Nancy and Mike. Larry made a motion to clarify the arrangement that Art-Speak has with the city and bring this arrangement into compliance with state law. Cathy seconded the motion and all approved.

Art-speak has spent a little money for our PACA forum, an update will be forthcoming.

III. Director’s Report
The city council vote for the parking garage is on May 4th. The board and supporters should show up to this meeting.
We are postponing our June Arts event. The committee met and will continue to meet to decide how to proceed with an arts and culture event.
Nancy has contacted a state legislator and Ginny Lupi about an AFTA opportunity.

IV. PACA Update
Held a community meeting on April 9th. The community group was encouraging of the work the steering committee has done. The calendar for members was met with approval. Time will tell if the groups will actually use the private calendar.
The members met in small groups and answered 2 questions posed by the steering committee.
Overall everyone agreed that meetings such as this should continue.
Art-Speak/PACA will continue to facilitate these kinds of meetings.
Discussed membership for PACA and the AFTA survey for our membership.

V. Public Art
Art-Speak would like to host a forum to help the community understand the process for public art with municipal projects.
Nancy had a meeting recently with the folks from Harbor Corps about how they will create art in public in their new development.
They also had a discussion about art in public/public art and how a partnership with Art-Speak would work.
Cathy gave us an update on the Middle School Public Art project.

VI. Citywide A & C Campaign
The campaign group has been meeting. Duncan gave the board an update of what has been happening so far.

Next EC Meeting: May 12
Next Board Meeting: May 18