

MINUTES AND AGENDAS

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 16, 2018 ARTS COUNCIL MEETING LENEXA CITY HALL, SANTA FE CONFERENCE ROOM, 17101 W. 87TH STREET PARKWAY, LENEXA, KS

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairperson Wayne Dothage.

Arts Council members present: Jess Collins, Rob Robinson, Dale Trott, Judy Tuckness
Jennifer Wampler and Claire Ward.

Arts Council members absent: Emily Behrmann and Cheryl Kimmi.

Staff member present: Susanne Neely, Recreation Supervisor.

Mr. Dothage welcomed new LAC member Jess Collins. Mr. Collins is filling the remainder of Kay Plaster's term. Mr. Collins had served previously on the LAC from 2011 – 2014.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion for approval of the December 19, 2017 minutes was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Trott, and approved 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. Committee Reports

1. Music

a. 2018 Outdoor Concert Series Bands

Ms. Wampler reported the committee is currently negotiating with bands and should have the schedule ready soon. All concerts will take place on Sunday evenings at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park. The concert dates are: May 6, 20 and 27, June 3 and 10, and September 16 and 23.

Ms. Tuckness arrived at 7:10 p.m.

- b. 2018 Community Orchestra Recruiting and Marketing
Ms. Neely stated she is working on the agreement with Richard Ryan. Mr. Ryan has proposed concert dates, which are being checked with the city calendar of events. She is also working on the updated volunteer application on the web. The concerts will take place at the outdoor stage at the Civic Center. Start time for the concerts will be later in the evening to avoid the heat and sun. Mr. Dothage is looking into possible locations in Lenexa for a backup in case of inclement weather.

2. Literary Arts

- a. January 20 Open Mic and Poetry Slam
Mr. Robinson said the next Poetry Slam is Saturday, January 20.
- b. Plans for February Event and Beyond
February 10 will be the last event hosted by Caroline Ewing. Mr. Robinson has been talking with Sheri Hall about emceeding poetry slams after Ms. Ewing's contract is up. Ms. Hall plans to be at the January 20 event to observe. Mr. Robinson encouraged other LAC members to attend if their schedules allow.

2. Public Art

The LAC requested updates on pending public art projects and asked for a guide that the group can follow to stay better informed of the status and next steps with respect to public art projects. They also requested a copy of the Public Art Committee Public Art Master Plan created for the Civic Campus. Ms. Neely will work with Gary Ristow to create a process guide for the LAC Public Art Committee.

- a. Proposal for Black Hoof Park Sculptures
Ms. Neely reported Parks staff has provided feedback regarding the proposed wind sculptures. The main concern is that the art could be vulnerable to vandalism or damage. Ms. Tuckness reported she shared this concern with gallery owner, Paul Dorrell, and he said that hasn't been a problem in the past. Further review is needed to be sure this concern is fully addressed.
- b. *Team Illusion*
The LAC asked for a status update regarding their proposal to relocate *Team Illusion* to a spot along the trail behind the Lenexa Rec Center. (The LAC passed the motion at the August 2017 meeting.) Ms. Neely will get an update and provide a checklist to guide the committee on the process. A meeting will be scheduled to view the restored art and the proposed location.

c. *This Town is Lenexa, Kansas* Quilt

Ms. Tuckness suggested the *This Town is Lenexa, Kansas* quilt be displayed in the Public Market on the large west wall. The LAC recognizes the quilt will need to be conserved and framed. Ms. Tuckness volunteered to research how best to conserve and frame the quilt. Ms. Neely will contact the Public Market manager and other city staff to explore the potential for displaying the quilt on the wall.

Motion to recommend the quilt be conserved, framed and displayed on the large west wall in the Public Market was made by Ms. Wampler, seconded by Ms. Tuckness, and approved 7-0.

d. Photograph Mural

Ms. Tuckness also proposed creating a photo mural for the wall on the second floor of the Public Market leading to The Kitchen. She suggested selecting a historic photo such as spinach farmers from the 1930's.

Motion to explore creating a Lenexa history photo mural for the wall on the second floor of the Public Market leading to The Kitchen was made by Ms. Tuckness, seconded by Ms. Ward, and approved 6-0. (Mr. Robinson abstained.)

Ms. Neely will contact the Public Market manager and other city staff to find out if this idea is feasible.

3. 2019 Budget Discussion

Mr. Dothage reported the budget committee met prior to the regular LAC meeting tonight. The committee has come up with the following plan for 2019.

Scholarships	\$ 3,500
HeART of Lenexa	750
Children's Theatre (Missoula)	4,000
Lenexa Art Fair	1,000
Outdoor Concert Series	5,000
Art Gallery (Includes \$1,000 from Latino Art Bravisimo)	2,500
Spinach Festival	1,500
Lenexa Artists' Show	2,000
Enchanted Forest	800
Theater Hikes	2,500
Poetry Events	1,200
Winter Performing Arts Series	2,000 (new)
Miscellaneous	700
Supplies	500
TOTAL	\$27,950

Orchestra budget is a separate line item. When the Governing Body initially approved this event, the plan was for the city to fund the orchestra fully during the first year (2017) and then to decrease city funding by \$2,000 each of the next two years. By the fourth year, the expectation is for the program to be self-sustaining (through sponsorships). In 2018, the budget is \$6,500, plus \$1,000 rolled over from unused funds in 2017 for a total of \$7,500. In 2019, the amount allocated by the city, assuming the Governing Body approves, should be \$4,500, and the LAC would seek sponsorship to cover other expenditures.

The LAC will vote to approve its proposed budget at a future LAC meeting. Once approved, the proposed budget will be taken to the City Administrator for inclusion in the staff recommendation to the Governing Body.

4. Sponsorships

Mr. Dothage reported the 2018 sponsorship program has been updated. The city is waiting to hear the status of the 501c3.

5. Scholarships

A few inquiries have been received from students. Deadline to apply is February 15. Mr. Dothage will coordinate judging. Award recipients will be recognized at a City Council meeting in April.

6. Gallery Shows

a. Greater Kansas City Art Association – Blue Ribbon Exhibit - 2D and April Lemon glass art – 3D (January 3-29), Reception (January 12)

- Reception Recap

The reception held on Friday evening, January 12 was a nice event. About 40 people attended. April Lemon, the 3D glass artist invited the LAC to come to her gallery near Lawrence sometime.

b. HeART of Lenexa (January 30 – February 26), Reception (February 8)

- Judging, Reception and Awards Ceremony

This show will be installed on January 29. Council Member Bill Nicks will also display some items from his Sunflower collection during that month to help fill the 3D cases. The HeART of Lenexa reception will take place on February 8 from 6-7:30 p.m.

c. Fractured Fabric Society (February 27 – March 26)

The March gallery exhibit which will be installed on February 26 will feature quilts from the Fractured Fabric Society. No reception is scheduled.

d. Catherine Kirkland (March 27 – April 30), Reception (April 12)

Ms. Ward said artist Catherine Kirkland will have her paintings on display

for the April show. Her reception is planned for Thursday, April 12 from 6-7:30 p.m. No 3D art is scheduled at this time.

- e. First Responders of Johnson County (May 1 – June 4), Reception (May 3)
This show will feature both 2D and 3D art with a public reception scheduled on Thursday, May 3 from 6-7:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Dothage said to send any February meeting agenda items to him. He will compile the agenda and send out. Ms. Wampler asked to include a review of the Civic Campus Public Art Committee Master Plan.

Ms. Neely handed out the LAC attendance report for 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Ms. Tuckness, and approved 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Cheryl Doleshal, Recording Secretary