

## MINUTES AND AGENDAS

### **MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 20, 2018 ARTS COUNCIL MEETING LENEXA CITY HALL, SANTA FE CONFERENCE ROOM, 17101 W. 87<sup>TH</sup> STREET PARKWAY, LENEXA, KS**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Wayne Dothage.

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

Arts Council members absent: Emily Behrmann and Judy Tuckness.

Staff members present: Gary Ristow, Parks and Recreation Director, and Cheryl Doleshal, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant.

#### **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

None

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion for approval of the January 16, 2018 minutes was made by Mr. Trott, seconded by Ms. Ward, and approved 7-0.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### A. Committee Reports

##### 1. Music

##### a. Concert Series

- Concert Starting Times

Mr. Dothage stated Ms. Neely has all the bands confirmed and is working on the contracts. She has reserved both the new pavilion and Lions Memorial Shelter House at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park for the concerts. The group discussed the starting time of the concerts. Everyone agreed that it would be best to keep the schedule the same as last year.

b. Community Orchestra

- Rain Date Options

Mr. Robinson reported the contracts are being finalized for the conductor and the Shawnee Mission School District. He said make-up dates for any orchestra concerts that are cancelled due to inclement weather will on the following day. He said volunteer musicians are being recruited through the city's volunteer web page.

2. Literary Arts

a. February Open Mic and Poetry Slam Recap

Mr. Robinson said the February event's attendance was similar to last month. This was Caroline Ewing's last event to host.

b. Plans for March and Beyond

Sheri Hall will be the new emcee starting with the March event. Ms. Neely is working with Ms. Hall on the contract. The group acknowledged the slams have a core following of students who attend each month.

Mr. Robinson suggested an Author Fair to be held at the Community Forum. He would like to research what the event would look like. The LAC discussed several ideas.

Mr. Ristow arrived at 7:20 p.m.

3. Public Art

a. Black Hoof Park Sculptures Update

Mr. Dothage indicated since Ms. Tuckness is not here tonight they would discuss this item at next month's meeting.

b. Team Illusion Update

Mr. Ristow said staff is exploring possible sites for the piece to be placed. A safe secure site is needed to help with vandalism, but also one that allows for the piece to be seen in proper surroundings. After a proposed location is selected, the LAC will be invited to view the piece in place before it's permanently installed.

c. Public Market Art

Mr. Dothage said Ms. Neely and staff looked into the possibility of hanging the "This Town is Lenexa, Kansas" quilt on the large west wall in the Public Market. They realized the quilt would be swallowed up by the massive size of the wall. The LAC will need to find another location for the quilt. The Public Market manager is open to having a historic photo mural on the wall on the second floor leading to The Kitchen. The LAC Public Art Committee will need to research this idea and prepare a proposal.

Mr. Ristow stated he has asked Ms. Neely to establish a protocol for steps the LAC can follow when proposing art or suggested new programs to the group.

4. City Center Public Art Master Plan Review

a. Public Art Priority Locations

Ms. Wampler shared the priority location list the Civic Campus Public Art Committee established for the master plan. Mr. Ristow explained the background of the committee and how Public Art & Practice, the consulting firm, helped shape the master plan. He also updated the LAC on the two pieces of art the City Council recommended for purchase: Joe O'Connell's, "Body Politic" and Shan Shan Sheng's, "Splash." P & R Staff will assist with installation of both pieces. It is anticipated both pieces are in place by this fall.

5. 2019 LAC Budget

a. Discussion and Vote

Mr. Dothage inquired if the LAC had any questions regarding the proposed budget that was presented at last month's meeting. Everyone agreed the budget is acceptable.

**Motion to recommend for City Council's consideration the 2019 Lenexa Arts Council Proposed Budget for a total of \$27,950 was made by Ms. Wampler, seconded by Ms. Kimmi, and approved 7-0.**

6. Sponsorships

a. 501c3 Status Update

Mr. Ristow reported the application is in the IRS hands pending their approval. He does not anticipate any issues.

7. Scholarships

Mr. Dothage said the deadline to turn in entries was last week, February 15. About 13 entries were received. The scholarship winners will be announced in April at a City Council meeting.

8. Gallery Shows

a. HeART of Lenexa Reception and Awards Recap

The LAC enjoys this show. The reception was well attended. Families, young kids and seniors all take part in the event. Emma Neely, creator of the show, selected the Founders' Award winner, which was announced, along with the First Place and Honorable Mention awards at the reception.

b. Fractured Fabric Society Quilt Display (February 27 – March 26)

Ms. Ward confirmed the show will be installed on February 26 and will feature quilts from the Fractured Fabric Society. No reception is scheduled.

- c. 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.
- d. 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.

Ms. Ward said registrations for the Lenexa Artists' Show open on April 1. She also stated the committee has some artists interested in having a 2019 show.

### **MARCH MEETING AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Dothage said to send any March meeting agenda items to him. He will compile the agenda and send out.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

- A. LAC Chair and Vice-Chair Elections (Moving from May meeting to March)  
Mr. Dothage reported at next month's LAC meeting they would elect the chair and vice-chairperson.
- B. Art Trolley  
Ms. Wampler is working with the Chamber to select this year's date for the Art Trolley. Possible dates are: June 14, July 19 and 26, and September 6 and 13. The trolley will depart from City Hall after visiting the gallery there, then stop at Lakeview Village gallery and the last stop will be Henderson Engineers. It was suggested to increase the marketing/promotions this year to attract a bigger audience.

Mr. Dothage announced there is no Chamber Business Blast scheduled this year.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Cheryl Doleshal, Recording Secretary