

MINUTES AND AGENDAS

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2023, LENEXA ARTS COUNCIL MEETING, LENEXA CITY HALL, PRAIRIE STAR CONFERENCE ROOM, 17101 W. 87 ST. PKWY., LENEXA, KS

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Chairperson Dale Trott.

Arts Council members present: Emily Behrmann, Jess Collins, Wayne Dothage, Cheryl Kimmi, Anne Lawrence-Cherry, Judy Tuckness and Jennifer Wampler.

Arts Council member absent: Claire Ward.

Staff members present: Susanne Neely, Recreation Supervisor and Logan Wagler, Parks and Recreation Director.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion for approval of the March 21, 2023, minutes was made by Mr. Dothage, seconded by Ms. Tuckness, and approved 9-0.

NEW BUSINESS

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. Calendar Review – Volunteer Opportunities

A list of upcoming LAC opportunities for late April through early July was passed around for sign-ups.

B. Program/Project Updates

1. Arts Programming Space

Mr. Trott reported he attended the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Steering Committee recently and the statistically valid survey will be coming out soon. The survey will include several questions relating to the arts. An open house for residents to share their input will take place on Saturday, April 29 from 9-11 a.m. at the Rec Center. Ms. Neely sent a notice about the opportunity to contacts from

the Community Orchestra, Missoula Children's Theatre, art gallery, art volunteers and Theater on the Trail.

2. Public Art

The Lenexa Old Town Activity Center mural project and the priority list of locations for public art will be discussed at the City Council meeting this evening.

3. Outdoor Concert Series

The city has been promoting the series and a targeted social media promotion will begin on May 1. Signs with the concert schedule also have been posted at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park.

4. Sponsorships/Grants

The LAC is waiting to hear from the Kansas Creative Arts Industries Commission regarding the mural grant. The grant period is July 2023 – to the end of 2024. Henderson Foundation will provide a \$3,000 grant for the orchestra. Gomer's has agreed to be the wine sponsor for the Lenexa Artists' Show reception in August.

5. City Center Live

The planning team is trying to schedule a time to meet.

6. Community Orchestra

Volunteer musician recruitment continues until May 1.

7. Theater on the Trail

There are no updates to report.

8. Gallery

The quilt show is drawing quite a few people to the gallery. The reception was well attended (approximately 75-90 people.) The next show will feature graphic lettering by Kevin Horvath with his reception scheduled on Thursday, May 4. Ms. Wampler suggested the LAC consider featuring the Veterans' artists show (which is currently being shown at the Johnson County Arts and Heritage Center). This will be put on the list for consideration when the gallery team plans the 2024 schedule. Applications are now being accepted for the Lenexa Artists' Show.

MAY MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Please send May meeting agenda items to Ms. Neely. She will compile the agenda and send out.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- Parade of Hearts – Ms. Tuckness and Ms. Neely attended the kickoff event on Friday, April 14. The city will have one heart placed at Black Hoof Park. The link to the Parade of Hearts app is <https://theparadeofhearts.com/app/>.

- Ms. Tuckness shared the following public art suggestions.
 - A series of 2-3 kinetic art pieces by Lyman Whitaker for a location at Black Hoof Park.
 - Wings mural at the civic campus as a photo backdrop. There are numerous examples of different wings murals around the country that are very popular with the public. The campus is a busy space and a favorite spot for prom, Homecoming, and senior photos.
- JoCo Arts Meeting – The LAC will host the location for an upcoming JoCo Arts meeting involving arts council/staff members from nearby communities to discuss ideas for how neighboring arts organizations can welcome and assist with the large number of people who will move to the area for the new Panasonic plant in DeSoto. The meeting is on May 17 at 9:30 a.m. in the Prairie Star Conference Room in City Hall. LAC members are welcome.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Dothage and approved 9-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Cheryl Doleshal, Recording Secretary