



AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
Regular Meeting – Monday, March 20, 2017, 6:00 P.M.
Pleasant Hill Library
211 E William Cannon Dr, Austin, TX 78745

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Lulu Flores – Chair, Michelle Polgar–Vice Chair, Brett Barnes, Chris Bryan, Jaime Castillo, Bears Fonte, Felipe Garza, Alissa McCain, Krissi Reeves, Bruce Willenzik

Absent – Commissioner Mok

Commissioner Fonte off the dais.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:01 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting – Arts Commission Regular Meeting on February 27, 2017

Motion to approve the minutes approved as corrected

Moved: Willenzik, Seconded: Polgar

Approved 9 – 0, Commissioners Fonte off the dais

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

- a. Brad Carlin, Managing Director of Fuse Box Austin – Fuse Box Festival kicking off in April. Free events, RSVP online, hosting artists from 6 Continents. Opportunity for local artists to be seen by producers from around the world and vice versa
- b. Jade Walker, Art Alliance Austin – Art City Austin, @ Palmer Events Center, will host 3 Tempo pieces, two day event.

Commissioner Fonte returned to the dais

- c. Julie Mech, Austin Creative Alliance (ACA) – Has been taking notes for ACA at Arts Commission Meetings, is a new board member of ACA, shared reasons for serving as a board member, support their work through policy development.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. Texas Biennial presented by Shea Little and Leslie Moody Castro – Texas Biennial is an independent survey of contemporary art in Texas. Ms. Castro is an Independent curator who works between Texas and Mexico City. The Biennial was inspired by the history of biennials around the world. Desire to expand throughout the state. The previous biennials have been Austin focus, with calls for artists from around the state. In 2011 they partnered with over 80 organizations around the state. In 2013 was the first year that actually had state wide exhibitions. 2017 Biennial will return to Austin. A month and a half long tour of Texas will be part of the Biennial preparations. Ms. Castro will visit the 60 organizations throughout the state that are participating. Want to do a conference series to talk about the state of the arts in Texas. Exhibition will open in late September and will run through December.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

Attended SXSW, Faces of Austin and attended some concerts, and attending the Visitor Impact Task Force meetings. They are considering expanding the meeting hours later into the evening to give more community members more opportunities to attend and provide feedback.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion and Action Items

- i. Approve the Final Design by artist Brent Baggett for Austin Police Department Mounted Patrol Facility Art in Public Places Project Presented by Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places Administrator and Anna Bradley, Art in Public Places Project Manager

Motion to approve the Final Design by artist Brent Baggett for Austin Police Department Mounted Patrol Facility Art in Public Places Project

Motioned: Barnes Seconded: Willenzik

Approved: 10-0

- ii. Approve the Final Design by artist Virginia Fleck for the Women and Children's Shelter Art in Public Places Project Presented by Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places Administrator

Motion to approve the Final Design by artist Virginia Fleck for the Women and Children's Shelter Art in Public Places Project

Motioned: Polgar Seconded: Garza

Approved: 10-0

- iii. Approve the Selection Process Recommendation for the ABIA Parking Garage and Admin Building- Phase I Art in Public Places Project Presented by Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places Administrator and Marjorie Flanagan, Art in Public Places Project Manager

Motion to approve the Selection Process Recommendation for the ABIA Parking Garage and Admin Building- Phase I Art in Public Places Project.

Motioned: Barnes Seconded: Polgar
Approved: 9-0-1, Commissioner Willenzik Abstained

- iv. Discussion and possible action FY18 Culturally Specific Marketing Supplement Guidelines (formerly Cultural Expansion Program)
Presented by Anne-Marie McKaskle-Davis, Contract Compliance Specialist

Commissioner McCain recused
Motion to approve FY18 Culturally Specific Marketing Supplement Guidelines (formerly Cultural Expansion Program) with the development of marketing tool kit in conjunction with the program
Motioned: Willenzik Seconded: Castillo
Approved: 9-0, Commissioner McCain recused

- v. Discuss and Approve Culture Alive Applications
Presented by Laura Odegaard, Cultural Contacts Associate

Motion to approve the Culture Alive Applications perfect scores at 100%, then those scored above 40 @ 75%, the two below

Motioned: Castillo Seconded: Willenzik
Approved: 5-4-1

For – Fonte, Reeves, Willenzik, Brian, Castillo;
Against - Flores, Polgar, Barnes, Garza;
Abstained – McCain
Motion did not pass

Motion to approve the three applications that received 100% will receive the full award, the remaining applications will receive 50% of the request amount

Motioned Barnes Seconded: Polgar
Approved 6-3-1,
For: Chair Flores, Vice-Chair Polgar, Commissioners Castillo, Garza, Willenzik, Barnes
Against: Reeves, Fonte, Bryan
Abstained - McCain

- vi. Discussion and possible action on establishing Culture Alive Guidelines Working Group. Presented by Anne-Marie McKaskle-Davis, Cultural Arts Funding Program, Contract Compliance Specialist

Motion to establish Culture Alive Guidelines Working Group composed of Commissioners McCain, Fonte, Reeves, and Chair Flores. Working Group will be chaired by Commissioner McCain

Motioned: Castillo Seconded: Willenzik
Approved: 10-0

vii. Discussion and possible action on establishing a mechanism for uniform messaging

No Action Taken

viii. Discussion and possible action on Joint Arts and Music Commission Meeting
No Action Taken

ix. Discussion and possible action on Visitor's Impact Task Force
No Action Taken

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion and Action Items

i. Omnibus

1. Update on Mayor's Resolution

a. Discussion and possible action on Focus Group Loan Program
No Action Taken

b. Discussion and possible action on next steps towards resolving venue crisis
No Action Taken

2. Update on Marketing Initiative (Willenzik)
No Action Taken

3. Update from Joint Music/Arts Working Group
No Action Taken

ii. Code Next

1. Discussion and possible action on Code Next edits
No Action Taken

iii. Working Group Updates

1. Capacity Building Guidelines Working Group - Vice Chair Polgar, and Commissioners Castillo and Mok
No Action Taken

2. Cultural Expansion Guidelines Working Group – Commissioners Barnes, Bryan and Castillo
No Action Taken

3. Community Initiatives Guidelines Working Group – Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Bryan, Castillo, McCain
No Action Taken

4. Fiscal Sponsorship Working Group – Vice Chair Polgar, & Commissioners Barnes, Castillo, and McCain
No Action Taken
5. Policy Working Group – Commissioners Barnes, Bryan & McCain
No Action Taken
6. Labor Language Working Group – Chair Flores, Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Bryan and Barnes
No Action Taken

7. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Update on current Cultural Arts Division projects and activities
- b. AIPP Year in Review

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Next Meeting will be on **Monday, April 17 @ 6pm at City Hall, Executive Session Room**

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Discussion and Possible action on FY18 Peer Reviewer Nominees

ADJOURNMENT

8:48pm

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For more information on the Austin Arts Commission please contact Anne-Marie McKaskle-Davis at 512-974-7854.