

**ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**September 12, 2017**

**Attendees:** Jennifer Drake, Tina Johnson, John Bruning, Deanna Goodlander, Trudy Elliott, David Groth, Mark Johnstone (via telephone), Amy Evans, Roberta Larsen, Hannah Daniels, Amy Ferguson, Kristen Lahner, Greg Lewis, Sydney Morrison

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Drake called the meeting to order.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION:** There were none.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:** There were none.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were none.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Commissioner Larsen, seconded by Commissioner Lahner, to approve the August 22, 2017 Minutes. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Motion by Commissioner Bruning, seconded by Commissioner Elliott, to approve the August financial report. Motion carried.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

There were none.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Larsen said that she and Commissioner Goodlander are compiling the information needed for the call and Commissioner Goodlander will submit a report next month.

Commissioner Larsen said that she has been in communication with the Riverstone public art artist and the project will be done on time.

**TWIN TOWERS DEDICATION DEBRIEF:**

Chairman Drake said that the dedication ceremony went well and that about 150 people were in attendance including a lot of families and city staff. The new PA system worked great and it appears that everyone is very happy that the commission found such a meaningful spot for the piece, with great visibility.

**ARTCURRENTS UPDATE:**

Ms. Ferguson said that the ArtCurrents installs are in the process of being scheduled and she is working with Sean Holm in Planning. The installs will take place on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Warrington has been contacted via email and regular mail regarding the removal of his pieces by September 29.

**COMMUNITY ARTS SUPPORT PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Chairman Drake said that the subcommittee met to review the 19 applicants that were received for funding this inaugural year. The total requested funding was \$114,000 so it was a challenge to get that figure down to \$20,000. Chairman Drake noted that \$12,000 of the \$32,000 budgeted was already earmarked for Emerge. The subcommittee recommended approval of the following funding amounts:

Emerge	\$12,000
Chorale CDA	\$ 2,500
Mountain Lake Music Festival	\$ 2,500
Panhandle Symphony Orchestra	\$ 1,745
Genevieve Pinter	\$ 3,500
Opera CDA	\$ 1,000
Innovation Collective	\$ 4,000
Arts & Culture Alliance	\$ 750
Out of the Shadows	\$ 4,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$31,995</b>

Chairman Drake explained that Chorale CDA request would provide \$2,500 for two high school scholarships and eight term scholarships for college students. The program is trying to educate student singers to become more professional singers and will be showcasing them in a number of concerts and performances in the area.

The Mountain Lake Music Festival funding will cover a classical music festival held over 2 weeks in July, 2018 in numerous venues in Coeur d’Alene. It will feature predominantly strong musicians for 10 days of intensive study and collaboration with local musicians and students.

The Panhandle Symphony Orchestra funds were requested to put on their December 12 concert at the Kroc Center which will be free to the public.

Genevieve Pinter is a local artist who grew up helping her mother put on children’s art camps, and she requested to do a year-long series of children’s art camps in the area. Ms. Pinter would have to continue to prove that the program was successful to continue to receive funding.

Opera CDA requested funding for their “Operatunities” program at local schools.

Rebecca Jackson, on behalf of Innovation Collective wants to bring in tech-based artists to do “artist in residency” programs in Coeur d’Alene where they put on community forums and workshops and teach children’s classes, and at the end of their residency they would produce a work of art for Coeur d’Alene. Right now, it appears that they want to go outside of the area to bring artists in. The workshops will all be free.

The Arts & Culture Alliance request funds to support Music Walk in 2018.

“Out of the Shadows” Theater requested funding for their performance of “Fiddler on the Roof.”

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Lahner, to approve the Community Art Funds funding requests as presented by the subcommittee. Motion carried.**

**MAYOR’S AWARDS IN THE ARTS – REVIEW/VOTE ON NOMINATIONS:**

The nominations were reviewed and discussed. Ms. Ferguson noted that it has been difficult to get the student nominations. Commissioner Elliott said that Pam Asher has offered to help do a presentation to the school district. Commissioner Lewis said that he is also willing to go to teacher staff meetings and put in a word for nominations. Chairman Drake suggested including in those presentations a small packet of information from this year’s award.

After discussion, the following were chosen as recipients of the 2017 Mayor’s Awards in the Arts:

**Arts in Education: Terry Jones**  
**Excellence in the Arts: Teresa McHugh**  
**Support of the Arts: Kevin Jeter**  
**Student Excellence in the Arts: Ryan Hamm**

Commissioner Lewis suggested reading a list of the nominees at the Mayor’s Awards. Chairman Drake confirmed that she will take care of ordering the plaques for the awards. Commissioner Elliott will notify the award recipients, and Ms. Ferguson will send out letters to the nominees and nominators.

**SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES:**

Mayor’s Awards in the Arts:

Commissioner Elliott said that the planning has been going really smoothly and they have wonderful people who have done an incredible job. The resort has also been wonderful to work with.

Utility Box Beautification Project:

Chairman Drake said that she has noticed a couple of boxes that are blank now that used to be wrapped. She check with in with Mr. Taylor.

Art on the Islands:

Commissioner Elliott said that she talked with Ken Roberge, but is waiting until after the Mayor’s Awards to move forward. She said that Mr. Taylor was going to get back to her regarding the answers to some of Mr. Roberge’s questions.

Arts Commission Applicant Review:

Chairman Drake noted that Commissioner Hull recently resigned from the commission due to scheduling conflicts so recruitment should begin for a new commissioner.

Four Corners:

Chairman Drake commented that the three maquettes are on display in the library right now and encouraged the commissioners to view them and comment.

Mural Projects:

Chairman Drake said that the contract for the Seltice Way underpass was official canceled and they have requested the \$6,000 initial stipend to be returned. Commissioner Lahner volunteered to take Commissioner Hull's spot on the Mural Projects subcommittee.

**ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Commissioner Elliot, seconded by Commissioner Lahner, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by:

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