

MEETING MINUTES  
FARMINGTON AREA ARTS COMMISSION  
DATE: MARCH 12, 2020– 6:30 PM  
COSTICK CENTER – CONFERENCE ROOM  
28600 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD  
FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48336

**CALLED TO ORDER BY:** McDermott AT: 6:31 pm

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Blau, Carleton, Deason, Dutka, Gradin, Hadfield, Hawkins, Hayes, McDermott, Warner

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ferencz,

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rachel Timlin, Cultural Arts Supervisor/Staff Liaison; Maria Taylor, Farmington City Council Liaison.

OTHERS: None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**Motion by McDermott support by Gradin, to approve the agenda as amended.**

**Amendments:**

**Remove: 4. Artistic Reflection. From 10. Commission Projects, remove Pedestal Project and Festival of the Arts**

**Carried: Unanimously**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES from February 2020.**

**Motion by McDermott support by Gradin, to approve February minutes as submitted**

**Carried: Unanimously**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public attending.

**6. KICKSTART GALLERY INTRO**

Commissioner Hayes introduced the space and invited all to enjoy the exhibit and the store after the meeting.

**7. CULTURAL ARTS DIVISION REPORT**

- Due to Coronavirus, youth theater productions may be postponed until further notice. Cultural Arts Division monitoring the situation.
- Blackthorn show was well attended.
- Kudos to Metal Scrapping team (Dutka, Ferencz, & Hadfield). The sorting and storage of Harrison scrap metal for future sculpture project was a success.
- Working on sound and light requirements for the Hawk Theater, looks like existing system will need to be replaced.
- Festival of the Arts has been formally postponed to 2022. Little response from general public.
- Public Art Exhibit will be extended for an additional year in consideration of the gap year to the Hawk up and running.

## **8. PUBLIC ART COMMITEE**

Commissioner Gradin reported on her interview with Kelly Kaatz, curator at the Janice Charach Gallery. Committee discussed and shared information. Further interviews will be scheduled with Rachel Timlin and Commissioner Hayes. General Gallery Roles will be developed from the interviews.

## **9. HAWK GALLERY AND STAGING AREA REOPRT**

Discussion, no official report.

## **10. COMMISIONER 2020 PROJECTS**

- No update on the “Write On” project to reflect on artist work at City Hall.
- Discussion concerning Artist in Residence program. There has been an Artist in Residence since 1976. Commission voted to take a gap year with this program.

**Motion by Hawkins support by Hadfield, to postpone selecting a 2020 Artist in Residence.**

**Carried: Unanimously**

- Taylor, Blau and Deason to form discussion group.
- Student Art Awards idea presented by commissioner Deason.
- Timlin will assign an Art on the Grand booth to the Arts Commission to promote the arts and specifically Festival of the Arts. Commissioner Carleton will help lead this project.

**NEXT MEETING DATE: 4/9/2020**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned by: McDermott

Time: 8:30 PM

Minutes drafted by: Joy Gradin