



LAKWOOD ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
Date: Monday, May 6, 2019 Time: 5:00PM – 6:15 PM
Lakewood City Hall, American Lake Room
6000 Main Street SW Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Arts Commission Members Present: Linda McDermott, Earl Borgert, Bill Elder, Kat Flores, Lani Neil, Phil Raschke, Julie Powers, Adriana Bayer, Darryl Owens

Staff: Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator, Nicolette York, Office Assistant

Youth Council Liaison: Angel Lee

Council Liaison: Jason Whalen

Arts Commission Members Excused: Pattie Belle, Tod Wolf

Guests: Paige Hansen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Julie Powers moved to approve the April 1, 2019 minutes as written. Earl Borgert seconded. MPU.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Recruitment and Appointments: Paige Hansen and Vincent Vaielua both submitted their applications. Susan Coulter gave her formal written resignation today. That leaves 2 positions open.

Bill Elder commented that he would like to see the commission make a concerted effort to recruit artists to serve on the commission. Sally explained that outreach does target artists, as well as others in the community who may have the skill set to accomplish the goals in our work plan. The focus is on having a passion for art, but it is not required to be an artist. Attracting members who can be front facing, and plan and execute events is also a priority. City Council determines who is appointed to their boards and commissions.

Colonial Plaza Public Art: Sally summarized the process to date. A stakeholders group was

convened, two meetings followed. The members used a scoring rubric to rate the eleven art submissions from nine artists. Then they convened to have a dialogue. The result was a clear stand out who was 100 points above the rest and had the most votes as well. That artist was Perri Howard whose artwork was called "Upon Reflection". She was the only artist to submit a budget with her proposal and stood out as the most professional. Sally showed a power point of her proposal. Following a discussion, Kat Flores made a motion to recommend Perri Howard to be the commissioned artist for the public art at Colonial Plaza, Julie Powers seconded. MPU.

Rotating Art: Sally said that the last rotating artist will remove her art in September and it is time to either put out a new RFP for artwork for City Hall or ask an artist to submit work. There was discussion about who we can partner with for the artist receptions. Linda said Lakewold had a featured artist. Linda and Sally are meeting with the new Executive Director of Lakewold on May 15th to discuss a possible partnership. St. Francis Cabrini students pre-k-8th grade have their art hung on the wall currently and will do an art show for opening day of the Farmers Market June 4th. The members liked the idea of having more schools get involved to hang art at City Hall. St. Clare Hospital was brought up as a possible partner for receptions. Several members are going to their high school art show this week and we will look at their facility. Lani will convene the Rotating Art Committee to meet before the June meeting to discuss next steps. Linda mentioned that if we created a partnership with a business and needed a way to showcase the art, possibility we could borrow Ed Kane's frames.

Film Makers Festival: Linda reported on Film Festival and handed out a print out of her research which had a list of dates and names of festivals and contact information for those who run the festivals. It includes a summary of each festival, what the contest is and what the recognition is. On June 10 Linda will meet with Jenny from Gig Harbor film festival which has been very successful. All directors have been extremely eager to help. Each festival has a niche and then it grows from there organically. It engages youth in their community and then has expanding opportunities for youth like summer workshops. Earl will call 253 grand contact, Paige will call Win Whittaker. Linda created a list of interview questions for them to use.

MLK Committee: Student Essays are due May 17 to Leanna Albrecht. Linda, Darryl, Paige, Kat and Bill offered will read and score them. Kat will compile them and help create the scoring rubric. Phil will ask MLK committee members if they want to help read and score the essays. In the June meeting they will be disseminated.

Holiday Committee: Linda and Sally will meet with Mary Dodsworth on the 15 to discuss how the chamber and new colonial plaza may be incorporated into the program. Sally explained the new Summerfest art contest and she will send the contest form to art teachers and to the commission electronically.

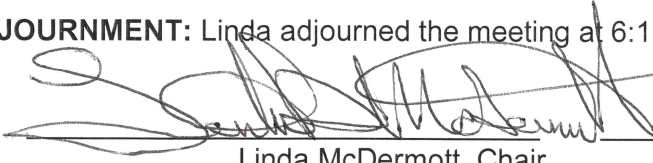
Public Art Committee: Earl met with City of Puyallup contact and has started to have a dialogue with his committee. He will set up a meeting with his subcommittee and cc Adriana before the next meeting in June.

Council Comments: None

NEXT MEETING:

**Monday, June 3, 2019 @ 5:00 pm – City Hall
American Lake Room**

ADJOURNMENT: Linda adjourned the meeting at 6:17 pm.



Linda McDermott, Chair



Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator