



**LAKEWOOD ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
Date: Monday, November 2, 2020 Time: 5:00PM – 6:15 PM
Virtual Zoom Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Arts Commission Members Present: Linda McDermott, Earl Borgert, Lani Neil, Darryl Owens, Paige Hansen, Susan Warner, Lua Pritchard, Phil Raschke

Arts Commission Members Excused: Adriana Bayer and Patti Belle

Youth Council Liaison: Angel Lee, Estaban Panangelinan, Kayala Purdie

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

Council Liaison: Jason Whalen

Guests: Kayla Poe, Ryan Decorso, and Marcus McGuinn

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Darryl Owens moved to approve the October 5, 2020 minutes and Lani Neil seconded. MPU.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Members: Lua Pritchard Introduced herself. She is the executive director of the Asia Pacific Cultural Center (APCC) which represents 47 nations that make up Asia and the South Pacific. Lua is also on the Washington State Art Commission. Sylvi Johnson's application is in process. She is looking forward to being a part of the commission. She loves art, painting, and storytelling. She runs a video production company. She has photography, video and graphic design background.

Art Event Presentation: University of Puget Sound School of Business & Leadership Student Consultants (Kayla, Ryan & Marcus): The students presented the research & analysis that they have been working on an Art event. Lua and Susan will share their events with the interns and talk to them over the phone. Paige Hansen mentioned that due to COVID events will have to be done differently to make it safe. They gave a presentation on their strategic consulting project for an Art Event in Lakewood. Sally forwarded the analyst case to the arts commission members. The consultants said we can give feedback before they produce their final paper Dec 10th. They spent time looking at the Puyallup Spring Fair and Daffodil Festival. Susan said to remember that in the spring they have May Fest and Lua said APCC has a big event in February. They are looking at an annual mural festival. And perhaps some smaller scale one day events that are more conducive to COVID safety guidelines. The final report will recommend the top 3 events. Funding: Lua said Washington state arts alliance has funding. Sally said she could apply for Lodging Tax grant. Linda wanted a cost associated with each option. A final report will be ready Dec. 10th. Sally will send the arts commission email addresses so they can send the UPS team feedback.

2021 Work plan: The commission reviewed the draft work plan. 2021 Work Plan due January 4th for January 11 agenda item. Summer nights at the pavilion, work is already done. Lani said to add Colonial Plaza Art to the work plan. Sally explained that the artist Perri Howard resigned. Paige talked about adding a new event to the work plan, a busking competition. Either at the park or town center or both. Lani mentioned putting buskers on golf carts. An art exhibit a part of the 25th anniversary was discussed as part of the work plan. Linda suggested the winner could be the kick off to the utility box wrapping. Could have the art exhibit at pavilion and under big tents to provide social distancing and have buskers there as well. The commission would need to come up with a theme and do a call to artist, then put art in a digital format on the website. Paige said to extend beyond visual artists and have Music, choreography, film, etc. Youth council Theme: unity, growth, growing together, caring for each other. Lani said students have time to work on proposals, but flipside is that teachers are having a hard time engaging students. Kayala said that if it was extra credit students would do it. Lua feels that the work plan is good to be approved.

Election Prep: Linda asked the Board to consider if they would like to serve as chair or vice-chair.

OLD BUSINESS:

Joint Commission Meeting recap: Deferred due to lack of time.

Revised Retreat: Taking place on November 8th at Lakewold with docent tour and guest speaker. Special Thanks to Susan for coordinating the docent tour, speaker, and Lakewold Gardens

Holiday event update static parade 12.12: Tree lighting will be virtual on Monday the 7th, new location for reverse parade on Saturday December 12th is perimeter road in Lakewood. Please reach out to people to participate.

MLK Event Update: The ceremony will be virtual and all interviews have taken place. Community leaders and students were interviewed to talk about unity and coming together as a community to celebrate our diversity.


Council Comments: None


Board Comments: None

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, December 7, 2020 at 5:00 pm via Zoom
Monday, December 14, 2020 at 5:00 pm via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT: Linda McDermott adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.


Linda McDermott, Chair


Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator