

ARTS AND CULTURAL FOUNDATION OF ANTIOCH PUBLIC MEETING

Lynn House Gallery
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Minutes

April 23, 2008

Board members in attendance: Kathie Campbell, Joel Summerhill, Michele Copeland,
Dave Sanderson, Robert Uribe, Karen James-Smith
Board Members Absent: None
Public present: None
Staff present: Diane Gibson-Gray, Mark Roberts

Meeting began at 5:41 PM.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Public comment (items not on agenda) – None
2. Approval of March 26, 2008 Art & Cultural Foundation of Antioch (ACFA) meeting minutes. Board Member Dave Sanderson corrected the minutes to reflect that he was in attendance.
Board Action: Motion by Karen Smith James to, 2nd Michele Copeland, M/C
3. The request for support for Veteran's Day Parade and CAT Project Reunite. Both organizations do not have nonprofit status to solicit funds for their event/projects were discussed. Member Joel Summerhill requested that we approach the organization to see if an art component could be included; perhaps in the form a photo collage of local veterans on display at the event our the Lynn House Gallery or add artist links, such as the artist who paints portraits of fallen soldiers.

CAT Team Project Redirect was discussed and concerns were discussed on accounting checks/balances, the amount (probably less than \$500-\$1000). Local businesses and service clubs would be approached by Officer Cliff Rezentes to solicit funds, which would be deposited in the AFCA account under a project cost center. Officer Rezentes has indicated that he intends to report back on how the money was spent to the donors and Diane said she would ask him to report back to ACFA.

Board Action: Motion by Michele Copeland to assist the CAT Project Redirect by handling funds for CAT Officer Rezentes, 2nd by Karen James Smith. Motion revised by President Kathie Campbell to include a 6 month review of the project.
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4. Monthly reports were discussed. Executive Director Gibson-Gray noted that due to a change our insurance policy, there was a refund of \$4,285. She is checking

with the carrier as there is a high probability that the refund amount is incorrect. The funds have been deposited, with the understanding that they may need to be returned.

The city has hired a consultant to work on the 4th of July and may still need monetary support (last year ACFA purchased banners, ads, etc.). The money continues to be allocated to the event (not the Celebration of Art event as indicated on the distributed budget).

5. The Public Art Committee is close to finalizing the artists for the Hillcrest/Lonetree Assessment Districts. The public comment period ended April 12th and the committee utilized their comments during their deliberations at their last meeting on April 14, 2008. The committee has asked the Public art consultant to go back to two of the artists to clarify or ask questions regarding their submission. The next meeting is May 19, 2008.

Joel Summerhill took the opportunity to discuss the subcommittee assignment for the Prewett Park Community Center project. There will be a meeting with the architects to discuss opportunism for art at the facility. He shared pictures of a project in Palm Desert where artists contracted with the city for 18 months to install public art pieces on city property. Artists were responsible for installation/removal. He has requested more information from the city.

Michele Copeland asked for an update on the mural repair. Dave Sanderson has a quote from the original artist. Diane Gibson-Gray contacted two local muralists and both feel that the damage is more intensive than originally anticipated. Both feel that the current damage could be repaired, but it will not stop the deterioration on the whole piece. Both are not willing to work on the project due to their concerns. Michele also expressed her concerns with not having a fund for public art restoration/repair. Dave said that there are multiple repair projects, Cannery Lady, Mother & Cub, mural at 2nd & F Streets, etc. He's preparing a package to submit to council to request funding. At this point, rather than establish a fund for repair/restoration, we need to request funding as repairs need to take place.

6. Curator Mark Roberts shared copies of the postcard for the current event, Tony Vecchio's Improvised Works. The CCTimes will include Tony's artwork and exhibit information in the upcoming weekend A&E section. Mark discussed the upcoming Photographers and Celebration of Art Exhibits. Executive Director Diane Gibson-Gray noted that the Delta Blues Festival is the 2nd Saturday in September and will conflict with the Plein Air Paint Out and requested that Mark revise the calendar to move the paint out to another weekend.

7. Non agenda items - Staff Report

- Summer concert line-up (5 weekends in August, only doing 4 concerts)
- Still awaiting determination of event Insurance before scheduling Ice Rink
- Contracts / lease ready, waiting for services contract
- Request from Hapgood Theater for funding
- Garage roof has been repaired, thank you to the city
- Distributed draft of May E-Newsletter, include link to EastCountyLive.com (and they will link back to us on their event newsletters)
- Calendar: Relay 4 Life children's exhibit canceled
- Plien Air/2nd Saturday conflicts with Delta Blues
- Celebration of Art judges, volunteered – Karen, Kathie, Michele; as we get closer to the date, we'll determine how many are needed
- Celebration of Art 42 signed up (50 with 2 pieces each)
- Photographers 14 signed up, (35 with 2 pieces each)

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 PM.