



**MINUTES
CITY OF COVINGTON
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING**

Thursday, February 12, 2015

**City Hall, Large Conference Room
16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington**

CALL TO ORDER

Lesli Cohan, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lesli Cohan, Gini Cook, Ed White, Paul Selland, and Jennifer Harjehausen; Leslie Spero was ill (one position currently open.)

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Pat Patterson, Recreation Manager

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve was made by Gini and seconded by Paul; all in favor.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the January minutes by Lesli; seconded by Ed; all in favor.

CITIZEN/GUEST/STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Welcomed new member, Jennifer Harjehausen.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- Retreat/Fund Raising: Ed White made a motion to approve the art funding priority list that was discussed at the January retreat. The motion states: It is so moved that the Covington Arts Commission adopt the art fund priority list as presented by the Public Arts Subcommittee. Motion was seconded by Jennifer; all in favor.
- Paul did some valuable draft work on revising the art policy, and it was agreed that he continue on that project.
- Ed and Pat will meet with Scott next week to formalize language regarding arts funding for the Blue Sheet.
- In Leslie's absence, Pat updated the group on the Student Art show. Apparently, not all the e-mail notices made it to the targeted people, and even though Pat followed up with phone calls there will be fewer participating schools this year. The divvying up of the student art for the various business locations will be done on Friday, February 27th. Lesli

and Paul will help, and presumably, Leslie will be there. Paul agreed to take letters around to the businesses, and was provided those by Pat. Pat will send out the hanging instructions. Lesli will contact Leslie to find out what else needs to be done. Hanging will take place weekend of February 29/March 1st.

NEW BUSINESS

- Skate Park project: Gini visited the park and took photos (which Pat was unable to open), and related a conversation she had with a skateboarder about painted surfaces and distracting (or not) art, as well as the results of some research she did on parks in other communities. It was agreed that contact should be made with Angie regarding her thoughts on art at the skate park.
- Ed agreed to contact Ben Dye to find out how he feels about Rachel Bahl having a contest to name the seahorse.
- Pat updated the group on Covington Days news as well as the Summer Concert series.

CITIZEN/COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

None

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

Next meeting we'll select and set the rotating art schedule.

GROUP MEMORY

Group Memory was approved by all Commission members.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM