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MINUTES CITY OF COVINGTON ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, January 12, 2012

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

CALL TO ORDER

Sandy Bisordi, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sandy Bisordi, Gini Cook, Ed White, Jonathan Combs, Brienne Berg and Rudi Sullivan.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Katrina Alegado due to family commitment. Motion to excuse made by Gini; seconded by Ed – all in favor.

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Pat Patterson

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve agenda by Jonathan; Seconded by Rudi; all in favor.

Ed moved to approve the minutes of 12/8/11 meeting; Rudi seconded -- all in favor.

CITIZEN/STAFF COMMENTS

No visitors were in attendance.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- Public Art Committee – Ed hasn't heard back from Salina regarding an opportunity for public art at the new Valley Medical Center project in Covington. It was noted that the trees were cut down in preparation of construction.
- Student Art Show Update:
 - Rudi had asked Katrina for names of the middle school art teachers but hadn't received them as of the meeting.
 - Rudi had been in touch with a woman at the city regarding the possibility of using the hallway leading to the community room to display student art during the reception. Pat commented that this hallway now also leads to the sheriff's satellite office and might not be the best place to showcase art.

- Discussed whether to have reception in the Community Room or in Council Chambers, as art would be hung in Council Chambers and it's a bit of a logistics problem ferrying people into the Community Chambers. Also the Planning Commission is scheduled to use the Council Chambers that evening. Pat suggested that we use our portable panels to hang art in the Community Room during the reception and then move that art to Chambers on March 2 to avoid these issues.
 - Sandy had contacted U Top It and Cutters Point in the Esplanade and both establishments will participate in the student art show.
 - The reception is March 1st from 6 to 7 pm.
 - Schools will be notified to have art to City Hall between Feb 15th and 17th.
 - Pat coordinates the production of the catalog of student art based on the lists provided by the teachers.
 - Artwork will get sorted out on the 21st and 22nd between 9 am and 2 pm, and put into folders according to destination. Pat will reserve the community room for this activity.
 - A list of where individual pieces will hang will be available at the reception and can go out to teachers via e-mail. Pat said the list could also go on the website.
 - Actual installation at businesses will be done by the Art Commissioners the weekend of the 24th-27th. Pat will provide each member with a hanging kit. It was suggested we recruit a family member or friend if we need assistance.
 - Art Commissioners will each take down the art they hung on March 30-31.
 - Next communication to teachers will go out via e-mail (Ed) and a hard copy also (Rudi). This will include detailed instructions for the teachers. Last years' instructions were reviewed and Ed will update for 2012 dates.
- Display Artists – Per Pat, all the letters notifying the artists of their acceptance/rejection and exhibition dates have gone out. Gini will write short blurbs on each of the artists and send to Pat so the info is available for publication in the Reporter if space allows.
 - Work Plan Update – Be prepared to discuss summer art show at next meeting. The first Covington Days planning meeting is January 18th at Multicare from 2-3. Rudi thinks she can attend.
 - City Owned Art Statement – public art sub-committee is going to review the existing policy.

NEW BUSINESS

- Brienne talked to Amy Dukes in Issaquah regarding their art acquisition practices and also with Richard Hart of Covington who thought he could help get the City to set aside money for public art.
- SoCo Culture meeting was in Kent last week and Pat reported that about 50 people attended. The group discussed having a commissioner attend a meeting with the Maple Valley people who are working on their own city policy.

- Pat passed out information on the 2012 Annual Conference and Trade Show that will be in May in Bellevue

CITIZEN/COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

None

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Conference attendance
- Student Art Show
- July Art Show

GROUP MEMORY

Group Memory was approved by all Commission members.

ADJOURN

Moved to adjourn meeting at 8:40 by Jonathan; Ed seconded. All in favor.