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MINUTES CITY OF COVINGTON ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, March 8, 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 6:35 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sandy Bisordi, Gini Cook, Ed White, Jonathan Combs, Katrina Alegado and Rudi Sullivan.

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Pat Patterson

INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Ed shared a silk screen print he'd made.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve agenda by Gini; Seconded by Ed; all in favor.

Rudi moved to approve the Minutes of the 2/9/11 meeting; Jonathan seconded -- all in favor.

CITIZEN/STAFF COMMENTS

- No visitors were in attendance.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- Public Art Update – Sandy told City Council members at their February 27 meeting that the Art Commission was ready to talk to the Council on the subject of public art. Mayor Harto suggested we have a joint Council/Art Commission meeting in the future. Pat reported that this was discussed at the weekly staff meeting with Scott who voiced some concern about staff member workload. The Commission decided that the public art subcommittee needs to meet with Scott to clarify the Art Commission's role before a joint meeting with the City Council.
- Student Art Show – All of the student art is up and it looks good. The reception on March 1st wasn't especially well attended, but those who did come were enthusiastic about the art show. One teacher in attendance mentioned to Sandy that January has become a month of assessment in the school district and that it's therefore difficult for the teachers to work art

projects into the curriculum at that time, suggesting that an earlier announcement regarding the student art show would be advisable. There was some discussion about glitches in the e-mail announcement – apparently the attachments didn't reach everyone. Also noted that Bette Mansfield from Crestwood needs to get onto the teacher list for next year. Art Commission members were reminded to take down the art they each put up at the end of the month. The art should be delivered back to City Hall by Tuesday, April 3rd. Pat handed out updated/corrected inventory lists for each location.

- WRPA Conference on May 1st – Gini, Sandy and Rudi will attend.
- Covington Days Art Show – Notice hasn't gone up on the website yet, but Pat will see to that in the next week. Also notice will go out to all the people on the existing Artist List, which will be expanded to include all of the Art Commissioners. Jonathan is looking into some ideas for a hands-on activity as part of the show, notably with Cartoonists Northwest. Katrina met with the principal at Cedar Heights regarding the location of the art show. While the principal nixed the idea of using the multipurpose room because of difficulty in blocking off areas they don't want the public, she agreed we could use the front area – as long as there is no food on the carpet. Ed will get the updated prospectus files to Pat this week.

NEW BUSINESS

- Brienne has resigned from the Art Commission. Several positions are up in May, including Brienne's.
- The next SoCo Culture meeting is being held at the Burien Little Theatre on March 13th from 10:00 – 11:30 AM. The meeting that the Art Commission is hosting is still scheduled for May 9th, from 1:00-2:30 in the Council Chambers.

CITIZEN/COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

None

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Student Art Show recap
- Covington Days Art Show
- Continuing Public Art discussion

GROUP MEMORY

Group Memory was approved by all Commission members.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.