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MINUTES CITY OF COVINGTON ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, June 9, 2011

Council Chambers, City Hall
16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington

CALL TO ORDER

Sandy Bisordi, interim chair, called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sandy Bisordi, Gini Cook, Ed White, Katrina Alegado, Brienne Berg, Jonathan Combs.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rudi Sullivan.

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Pat Patterson

INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Jonathan presented inspirational quote from Hippocrates: **ars longa vita brevis**, translated as Art is long life is short.

CITIZEN/STAFF COMMENTS

Welcome to new members Brienne Berg and Katrina Alegado.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the agenda for the 6/9 meeting was made by Jonathan Combs; seconded by Ed White and approved by all.

Motion to approve the minutes of the 5/12 meeting was made by Ed White; seconded by Gini Cook; approved by all.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Sandy reported that she had reviewed the report of Student Art show written by Donna and that it was very thorough.
2. Group reviewed the timeline/workplan. Ed volunteered to amend and update it as needed on an ongoing basis.
3. Covington Art Show:

Materials had been delivered to Covington, Auburn, Renton, Black Diamond. Discussed the possibility that Beatrice had not delivered materials in Kent and Gini volunteered to look into that over the weekend.

4. Pat is going to use the Maple Valley Art Show list to contact people by mail.
5. Ed has arranged for judges. They are Jennifer Gosnell from Tahoma High School, Cheri Stephens, a studio owner, Clint someone from Kit's Camera and Leslie Armstrong from Kentwood.
6. Discussed need to schedule our own hours at the show. City staff will be at show whenever money is expected to change hands. That is, at Intake, on Friday from 4 to 9 pm, Sunday from 2 to 6 pm, and sometime Saturday to be determined at the next meeting. A sign-up sheet for commissioners was circulated.
7. Ribbons are here.
8. Discussed whether digital art would be accepted. Jonathan brought up the issue of artists disclosing whether a piece of art is one-of-a-kind, limited edition or unlimited edition and he will put together wording for a disclosure form.
9. Ed will work on document for artists whose work the city purchases to give us permission to reproduce the work for advertising in the future; Jonathan will review wording.
10. Ed will do a table sign announcing purchase hours.
11. Jonathan is working on a "hold slip" for art that will be purchased during sale hours.
12. Pat will see that there are 4 tables, at least two with skirting, and 5 chairs set up.
13. Question came up on whether Rudi had contacted Kiwanis regarding refreshments. Sandy will follow-up since Rudi is out of town.\
14. Pat reported that he's made quite a bit of headway on the musical entertainment for Covington Days. The karaoke guy will be set up on the side of main stage to fill in while groups are setting up.
15. Sandwich board signage was discussed and Pat will see to getting 6 boards to place on the school property directing people to the art show.
16. Due to the late hour, group decided to wait to update timeline/workplan until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Officers

Ed nominated Gini for Secretary; Brienne seconded; all approved.

Jonathan nominated Ed as Vice-Chair; Gini seconded; all approved.

Ed nominated Sandy as Chair; Ed nominated Jonathan as Chair.

Jonathan declined nomination as Chair

Ed seconded Sandy's nomination and all approved Sandy as Chair.

Covington Art Project

Brienne presented an idea for a public art installation and a way to approach the city regarding this topic. She shared 3 existing pieces in neighboring cities that involved citizen participation and at least were partially funded by citizens. The group was enthusiastic about the idea, agreeing to discuss in greater detail at the next meeting. In the meantime, commissioners will consider possible locations for such art. Pat agreed to talk to Planning and Development departments to find out what we need to do as a group to progress with a public art project.

COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

Covington Scholarship

Sandy reported that she participated in selecting a winner for the Wesley Soderberg Memorial Art Scholarship of \$1500. Sadly, there were only 3 applicants.

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

At next meeting, commissioners will sign-up to share an inspirational saying at each future meeting.

GROUP MEMORY

Group Memory was approved by all Commission Members.

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 by Sandy Bisordi.