

ATTENDING: Alain Barker (arrived late), Martina Celerin, Sandy Clothier (arrived late), Jan Grant, Scott Jones, Jean Kautt (arrived late), Patricia Pizzo (arrived late), Lynn Schwartzberg, Paul Sturm, Craig Widen

ABSENT: Peter Jacobi

EX OFFICIO: Miah Michaelsen (City staff liaison); Susan Sandberg (City Council liaison)

VISITING: Emily Hellmuth (BEAD Arts Administration Graduate Assistant)

Scott Jones called the meeting to order at 5:10pm

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from March 21, 2012 and April 11, 2012

Tabled for next meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT

Municipal Arts Fund (account 402) balance = \$66,638.52

Arts Commission Operating Fund (account 403) balance = \$10,926.83

STAFF REPORTS

- Miah announced Renwick art reception on May 31 at 5:30pm at piazza
- Brains Project is up and brains have been distributed around town per project plan; David Ebbinghouse's brain is damaged {...perhaps irreparably...}; options for repair are under consideration
- Repairs will be made to "Animal Island" to correct for graffiti vandalism to the art
- Signs will be created asking people to NOT climb on the Dale Enochs "Banquet" sculpture

OLD BUSINESS

April 2012 Grant Cycle Recap

- BAC funded nine grants for a total \$7500, leaving \$7500 for distribution in fall 2012
- Scott reported on BAC activities to Bloomington City Council last Wednesday (May 2), with many Commissioners in attendance, and presentation went very well
- Miah spoke to representatives from Silk Road Ensemble, CUBAmistad, and Writers Guild about their unfunded grant applications, providing feedback on how to improve their future applications
- General discussion about impact numbers and their variance in different grant applications, service of underserved populations, efforts to request better and more detailed data on populations served

Review of Revisions to Grant Guidelines and Application

- Miah presented revisions to BAC; Commission asked that wording be added to encourage all grant applicants to type their grant applications
Paul: motion to accept all changes as presented and discussed; Alain: second; motion passed unanimously

Public Art Master Planning (PAMP) Update

- Scott: committee met end of April to discuss surveys and outline; Miah was charged with fleshing out data into more info readable format
- Next committee meeting will be forthcoming; we should be ready by the end of the year

NEW BUSINESS

Public Arts Funding Research Report by Emily Hellmuth

- Emily researched 64 examples of public art funding programs
- Most municipalities were mid-size markets (100K-500K)
- 2/3 programs researched are tied to “percent for the arts” funding, so 75% of researched programs were visual arts only
- Emily presented on different “%-4-arts” ordinances and related issues: special tax districts, local option taxes, TIF districts
- Emily also presented on non-tax funding mechanisms: public-private partnerships, private funding
- Emily also discussed hybrids that combine tax-based “%-4-arts” and non-tax private funding
- Emily’s recommendations to the BAC:
 - 1) define “pubic arts” for our plan
 - 2) determine public vs private relationships for our plan
 - 3) collect information based on decisions above

2012 BAC Officers and New Member Selection

- General discussion about commission personnel make-up; Miah and Susan solicited commissioner thoughts and recommendations for criteria in making new City Council appointment (to replace Scott Jones)
- Scott: for new BAC Officers election (terms to begin in July), please email recommendations to Miah and Scott for officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer); please have suggestions sent by May 23
- Craig recommended that we also elect a Vice-Chair to encourage better support and succession; Alain moved in favor; Sandy seconded; motion passed (9 yes, 1 no)

Switchyard Meeting Preview

- Lynn: reported on Switchyard Steering Committee planning meeting
- Miah: reminder that 9am Monday at Convention Center (in the Cook Rooms) is BAC meeting on Switchyard Project with Switchyard Master Planning Consultants; Miah will share images on possible public art options in the new park, with a particular emphasis on fully-functional forms that allow climbing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

none

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Alain; second by Paul; meeting adjourned by Scott at 6:20pm.

Next meetings:

Mon, May 14	9am-9:30am	meeting with Switchyard Master Planning Consultants @ Convention Center, Cook Room
Wed, June 13	5pm-6:30pm	BAC monthly meeting @ McCloskey Conf. Room
Wed, July 11	5pm-6:30pm	BAC monthly meeting @ McCloskey Conf. Room
Wed, Aug.8	5pm-6:30pm	BAC monthly meeting @ McCloskey Conf. Room
Wed, Sep.12	4pm-5pm	BAC pre-meeting grant support Q&A session @ McCloskey Conf. Room
Wed, Sep.12	5pm-6:30pm	BAC monthly meeting @ McCloskey Conf. Room
Wed, Oct.10	5pm-6:30pm	BAC monthly meeting @ McCloskey Conf. Room (grant review mtg)
Wed, Nov.14	5pm-6:30pm	BAC monthly meeting @ McCloskey Conf. Room
Wed, Dec.12	5pm-6:30pm	BAC monthly meeting @ McCloskey Conf. Room

Respectfully submitted by Paul Sturm