

**Bloomington Arts Commission**  
Wednesday, September 10, 2014 5pm  
McCloskey Conference Room, City Hall

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Peter Jacobi, Martina Celerin, Craig Widen, Sally Gaskill, Abby Perfetti, Lynn Schwartzburg, Francesca Sobrer, Alain Barker

**Absent:** Jan Grant, Paul Sturm, Jean Kautt

**Ex Officio:** Miah Michaelsen

**Public:** Jeb Conrad, Mary Jo Orłowski, Susan Sandberg

**Call to order:** Miah Michaelsen, 5:05pm

**Business and the Arts**

- Alain: Purpose is to establish a new relationship with the business community that serves arts and business, not just for two separate cultures to talk on different levels
- Jeb: Kelley School has a new program to connect students with local businesses in a sort of consulting program
- Purpose is to have new ideas
  - Create art at work
  - Engage employees in self expression
- Use arts for economic development
- Mary Jo: Would area arts organizations and artists be receptive to this sort of project?
- Next steps: Bring together businesses that would be likely to be on board with this as a focus group
  - BAC will discuss, send list of businesses we'd like to meet with
  - Chamber will coordinate meeting
- Focus Group Business ideas
  - Smithville
  - Springhill Suites
  - BLU Boy
  - One World
  - Rainbow Bakery
  - IMA/Premier Health
  - Bloom Marketing
  - Author House
  - Bloomington Hospital

**August Minutes**

Craig moves to approval, Martina seconds. Vote: all in favor

**Treasurer's Report**

- Municipal Arts Fund is down about \$15,000 for the Walnut St. sculpture project

- Operating Fund has \$13,000 and workshop presenter (about \$4,500) will be paid out of this fund

### **New Business**

Proposal for Arlington Road and West 17th Street Roundabout

- Model of finalist model was shown to the BAC
- 11 feet tall, limestone
- Alain moves to approve, Lynn seconds. Vote: All in favor

### **Staff Report**

Public Art

- Gateway Project: Working with Poynter Sheet Metal.
- 17th and Arlington: On agenda.
- Waldron Plaza: Should be completed by September.
- Clear Creek Trail: Walked area with potential donor. Will meet and bring suggestions to BAC.

BEAD

- Next Meeting: Monday, September 15, noon, McCloskey Room, City Hall.
- Current Exhibit: "Lost and Found"

Other

- Three organizations just received notification of 501 (c) 3 status: Bloomington Creative Glass Center, PRIDE, Arts Alliance of Greater Bloomington
- Arts Alliance is in real need of Steering Committee members. Contact Joanne Shank if you're interested, joanneshank@gmail.com
  - They have asked to be on the BAC's October agenda
- Francesca's students will be doing "living statues" at the Farmers' Market on Saturday
- IAC meeting at Nashville library Saturday at 10am
- Martina has a reception for the October Gallery Walk: at the Convention Center
- Phantom of the Opera at BHSS: October 18, 25, & Nov 1
  - Michaelsen and Celerin boys are in it so you'd better see it
- Sally: George Shively project is going well, including donation of cash and limestone for at least 10 graves in Rose Hill