



**ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION
MINUTES
Sequim Civic Center
Burkett Community Room
152 West Cedar Street
Sequim WA 98382
February 18, 2020 @ 3:00 p.m.**

Members: Susan Boudreau, Ross Brown, Maggie Hall, Suzanne Horne, Carole Neidhardt, Craig Robinson
Council Liaison: William Armacost; Staff liaison: Charisse Deschenes
Associate Members: Susan Molin

Agenda Item

Action for CAAC

1. Introductions
2. Approval of minutes:
 - a. [January 21, 2020](#) - Moved to approve by Neidhardt and 2nd by Boudreau. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Comments (*Please limit comments to 3 minutes.*)
4. Reports:
 - a. Chair
 - i. Arts Coordinator Interviews – went well and more to come.
 - ii. Sunshine Festival – Brown provided an update on his light art show. Craig Robinson will be painting under UV light. Brown provided an overview concerning the new festival.
 - iii. pARTners Meeting – group met on February 12 and the group agreed to have a coordinated calendar. Talked about an impact statement. Look at the list of impacts when they decide what to pursue. Brown will bring back the list to the next PARTners meeting.
 - iv. People’s Project List – Brown met with Sue Hagener about the list and artists involvement. He mentioned the steps for an art project to get through. He said the People’s Project timeline list doesn’t work. He said that if the CAAC is involved then they should start the process, it is \$150K. They give a site and a proposal and see what creative things come out of it. Game night at Centennial Plaza – People’s Project thought that the CAAC might be interested in getting involved. He mentioned that they stopped the Block Party. They have until March 15 to come up with a proposal as an event or summer game night. It would be similar to a Block Party during the Lavender Festival. Boudreau asked how that would be different than the Block Party. Brown said that they were doing the annual event and that there wasn’t enough art. Molin said the first time that there was food the first time around and the first year was good and the second year wasn’t so good. People’s project committee wanted the CAAC to refine the idea about having an event on Centennial Place. Horne said it could be revised to provide more of an art focus. Molin said that maybe they should have an event in the center. Brown mentioned maybe the CAAC finds an unique event that would fit the CAAC expertise. Molin said that if we are trying to do something to raise the visibility of the CAAC. Horne said we could do something with kids and music. Brown challenged Horne to put together the proposal. She proposed that we could keep these instruments so that they could be used again. Hall and Horne will serve to look into that option.

- b. Vice Chair
 - i. Steel Orchestra – 25 piece on will play on Saturday, June 6 at the Band Shell.
- c. Chairs for Sunshine Festival (20 Needed) – Horne mentioned the next Jam is on Saturday, March 7 on the Centennial Place. Need to be outdoor chairs. Need to confirm with Ty Brown from the City. From 11am – 1pm. Boudreau asked about outdoor heaters. Brown said they can talk with Susan Shaw. Horne will reach out to Shaw.
- d. Arts Coordinator
 - i. Parks Master Plan Process – RFP is out for review. Deadline is March 6. Brown said there is a chunk dealing with art. Neidhardt asked about the development of Centennial Place. Brown mentioned is there a way to make it nicer. There could be a way to spruce it up. Neidhart said it is creating something that welcomes you into the City. Brown mentioned light components. Deschenes mentioned the December 9 meeting and Council’s recommendation or the PARB and CAAC to work on. Neidhardt also mentioned wayfinding and digital activity calendar.
 - ii. Memo to City Council CAAC Charter week of February 17
 - iii. CAAC Charter to City Council on February 24
 - iv. Interviews for New Member – Only one member. It is for Sharon Delabarre’s position.
- e. December Expenditures and Revenues - Meet for a few minutes after the interview with Brown to pull up the expenditures and revenues.

5. Unfinished Business

- a. Top 5 Priorities from CAAC members Discussion

Brown said the CAAC discussed at the December 6 meeting. Topics discussed: Teamwork, good communication, broaden the public access to the CAAC, possible workshops, security of artwork in the lobby (electronic security attaching to the art pieces), working with disabled adults on arts projects, liaison with the school on projects, working with student liaisons and different groups within the community, new arts coordinator, working with the tribal community. Brown will send out the revised version of the impact statement. Help form the team to see if we can make some of these things happen. Looking at the infrastructure to make it happen. What do we need to have that workshop? Molin said she is reviewing her notes and she said to keep strengthening the Arts consortium through partnerships, to boost the brand, outdoor sculptures, interactive, culinary arts, the blue hole corridor, strengthening the web, dance, theatre, literature, hosting other musical performances. Vet the ideas. Brown thinks the jam session brings in a lot of new people. He said that the team needs to research these ideas. Once an Arts Coordinator is onboard they can flush out some of the ideas. Horne said that you can start organizing these topics. Neidhardt asked how we can research things like better lighting. Brown said that there might be a way to engineer a lighting system that is temporary and portable and taps into the power. He said we have a gallery there and we need to light it like a gallery. Continue looking at what it might take to do the engineering. Brown will talk with David Garlington about the lighting in the building.

 - i. Music in the Park Update Discussion
 - 1. Contract – Deschenes said that they are working through insurance.
 - 2. Jury Process – Ask KSQM where they are with the process. Brown will reach out. Hall is happy to join in to jury if needed.
- b. Centennial Place joint meeting needed Discussion

Already discussed.

6. New Business

- a. What Should the Five-Year Plan Look Like? Discussion

7. Public Comments (*Please limit comments to 3 minutes.*)

Rebecca Horst does theatre and a Granger. Wanted to see what the CAAC is about. Met with

people who volunteered at the Museum. She mentioned a party where they dipped nerf arrows and dipped in paint for kids. Royalty came and made bracelets with kids. Art clothes that were deliberately made very large like nine feet long. Kids took photos in the pictures. She knows Scott Atherton who does lighting at the casino and he has a lot of experience touring with bands etc. You might ask him if he would be interested in helping. Stage lighting, performances etc. Horst asked about the wall hanging. She wants to know the artist and the story from it. It was submitted by a Irrigation Festival Princess from the 60s or 70s?

8. Arts Conversation (Open discussion time)

Discussion

Hall said she that she worked with the 4th grade, 9-year-olds and they got over 160 ornaments for the tree. She would like help someone put up the artistic fabric on the tree. Open jam is going well and they are having new people every time. Need updated information on the Open Jam Sessions in 2020 sheet and need to update and print 100 copies. Let Horne know when they are ready. Brown would like to know what is required so that the next people know how it is done. It is good to pass that information on to the CAAC members. Horne said that maybe get 25 copies for now and then update when we have a new Coordinator. They would also like it blown up to fit in the big poster holder.

Hall also asked about when they juried the art, they had to do it on a screen. Horne said it really wasn't practical. It could have been damaged as well. Brown said we have to be prepared to protect the art. Hueth was scheduling different members of the CAAC receiving the pieces of art as they were delivered. Brown said that he makes sure it gets picked up.

Illumination comes down at the end of March. Will need to schedule the CAAC members to pick up the art. Hall also brought up the image quality when trying to jury. They looked at Hueth's screen last time and it was better on the computer. So maybe use the City Council Chambers and the screens that the City Council uses to review the pieces. Brown said it makes you really dive into the details. Horne said that it would be nice for them to state the scale of the piece. Brown said a photographic workshop is another idea for artists. Molin said a student or friend of Renne Brock does that type of photography.

Hall would like to offer her services as a proofreader for tabs etc. Molin will also provide those services.

Brown said we can talk about five-year plan once City Council reviews it.

Chamber of Commerce allows you to put up events on their calendar.

Molin said that she could request that people send information to her about upcoming events in the arts.

Robinson will be painting in the dark.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

2020 First Friday Events

January 3rd	July 3rd
<i>Illuminations, ATAW & Open Jam</i>	<i>Fluidity, ATAW & Open Jam</i>
February 7th	August 7th
<i>Illuminations & Open Jam</i>	<i>Fluidity & Open Jam</i>
March 6th	September 4th
<i>Illuminations & ATAW (Sunshine Festival)</i>	<i>Fluidity & OPAA's Fall Show</i>
April 3rd	October 2nd
<i>Audubon Exhibit & Open Jam</i>	<i>Fluidity & Open Jam</i>
May 1st	November 6th
<i>Police Exhibit & OPAA's Spring Show</i>	<i>Youthful Expressions, ATAW & Open Jam</i>
June 5th	December 4th
<i>Culinary Arts, ATAW & Open Jam</i>	<i>Youthful Expressions & Holiday Tree Lighting</i>

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