

Hillsboro Arts & Culture Council
Minutes
September 25, 2019 – 4pm

I. Call to order, Roll Call & Welcome

Lasswell called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm and took roll.

HACC Members present: Chair Jean Lasswell, Ramon Cancel, Ajoy Navin Chakrapani, Martin Conley, BJ Jeddeloh, Jeff Jurrens, Tracy Francis, Dawn Sellers, Tonya Macalino, Gayle Nachtigal, and Pamela Padilla.

HACC Members absent: Vice Chair Joan Callaway, See Eun Kim, and Venkatesh Naik.

Staff present: Michele McCall-Wallace (Cultural Arts Program Manager), Melissa Moore (Community Arts Program Supervisor), Alex Richardson (Parks Facilities Coordinator) Bridie Harrington (Cultural Arts Program Supervisor), Amy Thompson (Cultural Arts Facility Supervisor).

Visitors: Janel McKenna (Hillsboro Community Foundation) and Jayanthi Raman (RASIKA)

II. Approval of Minutes:

Jeddeloh made a motion to approve the minutes of July 24, 2019. Conley seconded the motion. Approved by unanimous vote.

III. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

IV. Reports and Presentations:

A. Information: Arts and Culture moments

Lasswell, Sellers, Padilla, Francis and Macalino shared.

B. Update from the Director's Office

McCall-Wallace reported that Barbara Mason was recognized for her exhibit at the Hillsboro Civic Center and that the City Council proclaimed October as Hillsboro Arts Month. Also, the City Council, adopted Resolution 2647 creating a Cultural Arts District in Downtown Hillsboro. McCall-Wallace gave thanks to all of Hillsboro Arts & Culture Council for helping with this.

C. Update on Committees

i. Arts Month

Cancel shared about the pop-up that was on the MAX train. They performed at a few stops and some local restaurants.

Moore shared the different places they have done publicity in Hillsboro about Arts Month. There are coasters in restaurants, yard signs, photos on Trimet benches and photos on bus backs.

Moore also shared about the upcoming kickoff event: 1st Tuesday, ArtFest and the Endowment Awards Ceremony.

ii. Cultural Arts District

No Report

iii. Endowment

Sellers shared that the Endowment committee has been busy working on two major events—the Endowment Awards Event on Oct 1 and the Benefit Concert on Nov 9.

Sellers encouraged HACC members to help sell tickets and to consider being a table captain at the Endowment Benefit Concert. Nachtigal explained the planned dessert dash.

iv. Multicultural Outreach

No Report

v. Grants Panel

Moore shared that the committee reviewed the grant revisions and made minor changes.

vi. Public Art Committees

Laswell reported the committee discussed the sculpture that eventually will be installed near the boat launch at Rood Bridge Park.

D. Update on Cultural Arts Programs

Harrington invited all to attend the concert series. Paula Cole will be opening the series. The series varies from Grammy artists to local artists.

Other happenings at the Walters include: I love Oregon exhibit, and adult and youth classes.

Harrington also highlighted artist Elizabeth Higgins as she is sharing the benefits of participating in the arts while aging.

Moore shared that they will be doing the Creative Impact Workshops again this year.

Moore informed that the Leadership Forum will be on November 20. She will need volunteers.

The following showed interest in volunteering; Macalino, Jeddeloh, Jurrens, Sellers, Cancel and Chakrapani.

E. Update on Events

Richardson shared the following events that happened this summer: Pride Party, Showtime Concert Series, Pics in the Park, Celebrate Hillsboro, and EL Grito. Richardson also shared that the two big events that are coming up are: Orenkofest and Winter Village.

F. Guest: Jayanthi Raman, RASIKA

Moore introduced Jayanthi Raman of Rasika. RASIKA received the largest grant this past year.

Raman shared that their mission is to promote Indian performances in Oregon. They have been operating for 20 years. Most of their Hillsboro events are free. An upcoming event is on October 11 at RASIKA studios in Hillsboro.

V. Old Business:

No Report

VI. New Business:

A. Consider approving the 2020-21 Community Arts and Culture Grant Program

Nachtigal made a motion to approve and Jurrens seconded the motion. Approved by unanimous vote.

Moore shared that she simplified language and budget sections in Grant applications. She provided information regarding this on page 11 in the packet. Grants open on Jan. 2.

B. Consider approving the recommendations of the Public Art Review Committee

Conley made a motion to approve and Francis seconded the motion. Approved by unanimous vote.

VII. Other Business

No Report

VIII. Open time for HACC member announcements

A. Paula Cole concert, Walters Cultural Arts Center, Friday, September 27, 2019, 7:30 pm

B. ArtFest and HACE Awards Presentation, Walters Cultural Arts Center, Tuesday, October 1, 2019, 5 –8pm.

C. Art Walk

D. Wishing Tree the month of October 2nd/Washington

E. Plein Air at Sequoia Studios Oct. 25-26

F. Macalino Thank you Book Party Oct. 19.

G. Navin Chakrapani was accepted in the Washington County Leadership Program

H. Francis Theater Production Hidden Stories

IX. Meeting Adjourned

Lasswell adjourned the meeting at 6:05 pm.