

MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON AREA ARTS COMMISSION
DATE: Sept 12, 2019 – 6:30 PM
COSTICK CENTER – CONFERENCE ROOM
28600 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48336

CALLED TO ORDER BY: McDermott AT: 6:34PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carleton, Dutka, Ferencz, Gradin, Hayes, McDermott, Pike, Warner

MEMBERS ABSENT: Blau, Breen, Deason, Hadfield, Hawkins

OTHERS PRESENT: Rachel Timlin, Cultural Arts Supervisor/Staff Liaison;

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by McDermott, support by Carleton to approve the agenda as amended.

Amendments: tabled topic of gallery pedestal; changed Oct meeting date to Oct.3, 2019

Carried: Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from: June 13, 2019

Motion by Pike, support by Carleton to approve minutes as amended.

Amendments: Moved item listed under Commission Action Items to Commissioners' Comments.

Moved 1st bullet listed under Commissioners' Comments to Commission Action Items

Carried: Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

In lieu of public comments, Commissioner introductions and welcome of newest Commissioner, Mr Dutka

ART COUNCIL REPORT

Discussed and supported putting Festival of the Arts on pause. FAF will still hold Spring Art Show, PTA reflections will do exhibit and ceremony. Discussed the new community center. Art Council to become more self-sufficient going forward – maintain own website, etc.

CULTURAL ARTS DIVISION REPORT

Summer Art Camps: served almost 500 kids over 11 weeks.

Stars in the Park: about 4000 people at 9 concerts. Artist applications for next summer concerts are due by Oct. 31, 2019.

Youth Theater: 2 productions this fall

Art on the Grand: application deadline is Dec. 31, early bird: Oct. 31. Jurying begins in January

Makers Holiday Market: Nov 30, 2019 – to focus chiefly on original handmade/ artisanal items this year

Festival of the Arts – on pause during transition. To be completely redesigned. Most likely to come back no sooner than 2022.

Aretha Franklin concert – 10/25 – purchase tickets early as show sells out fast.

COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS: MISSION/BYLAWS

New Community Center Gallery Committee Report – committee members took a tour of the building, then drafted and submitted recommendations to Parks and Rec Supervisor. Recommendations have been advanced to FH City Manager and Project Designer. Second letter from the Commission is in the works to be followed up by a face-to-face meeting.

New Community Center Commission Survey – to be filled out by 9/22/19. Feedback and artist connections are crucial as programming for the new center will be finalized early.

Festival of the Arts/Artist in Residence – As Festival of the Arts is on pause during transition, same is with the Student Art Awards Competition and the Distinguished Service to the Arts Award. Artist in Residence Award SHOULD still be awarded in 2020.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Hayes: provided an update on the Civic Theater mural: artist and design selected, timeline TBD. Public art project completed during Art on the Grand with Doug Delind is on rotating display at downtown businesses.

Commissioner Carleton: inquired about the process of requesting a new Mayor's Youth Council Liaison. Ms Timlin will investigate.

Commissioner McDermott: proposed keeping track of service hours put in by individual Commissioners related to all FAAC matters: attending monthly meetings, volunteering, etc. Service hours to be entered in a form and to be reported monthly for the entire Commission as a group. The form to be developed by Secretary and filled out retroactively for the whole year of 2019 by each Commissioner.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Oct 3, 2019

ADJOURNMENT

Ajourned by: McDermott

Time: 8:05

Minutes drafted by: Pike