



METRO ARTS

NASHVILLE OFFICE OF ARTS + CULTURE

Metro Arts Commission

Minutes of the Committee for Antiracism and Equity

June 3, 2020

This meeting took place via teleconference.

Due to technical difficulties there is not a recording of this meeting

Attending Members: Sarah Bounce, Alandis Brassel, Will Cheek (Co-chair, Commissioner), Aaron Doenges, Ellen Gilbert, Megan Kelley, Jonathan Marx (ART Co-Chair), Teree McCormick (ARTt Co-Chair), Paula Roberts (Co-chair, Commissioner), Jon Royal,

Staff: Janine Christiano, Tré Hardin, Caroline Vincent, Grace Wright

METRO ARTS MISSION:

Drive an Equitable and Vibrant Community through the Arts

A. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Commissioner Paula Roberts called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

B. VOTE ON GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.16

A motion that the meeting agenda constitutes essential business of this body and meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans considering the COVID-19 outbreak and is permitted under the Governor's Executive Order number 16 was offered by Teree McCormick, Sarah Bounce seconded, and the motion passed.

Roll call vote was taken, all members present voted, and all votes were affirmative with the exception of Will Cheek who was experiencing technical difficulties.

C. MOMENT OF SILENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Commissioner Roberts called for a moment of silence to reflect on current events and the needless loss of Black life.

D. UPDATE ON BOARD APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE TITLE AND ROSTER

Staff reported that the Arts Commission unanimously voted to accept the Committee's title and roster.

E. REVIEW OPEN MEETINGS ACT COMPLIANCE (AKA "SUNSHINE LAW") PROCEDURES

Staff reviewed the Open Meetings Act Compliance with community Committee members in their new role on a local government committee under the Arts Commission.

F. REVIEW AND VOTE ON CARE GUIDELINES

A motion to accept the CARE Guidelines with the caveat that they would be readdressed in six months was offered by Jonathan Marx, Aaron Hoke Doenges seconded, and the motion passed.

Roll call vote was taken, all members present voted, and all votes were affirmative with the exception of Will Cheek who was experiencing technical difficulties.

G. DISCUSS GROUP PRIORITIES

The Committee expressed concern that current events and crises as well as the outcome of Metro Arts budgetary request could potentially impact the Committee's priorities as the needs of the art community might change.

The Committee requested that before the discussion of priorities took place that Metro Arts staff review and report out on any changes or updates that have occurred since the Antiracism Transformation Team presented their equity report to the Arts Commission in 2019.

After discussion, Commissioner Roberts suggested that each Committee member send in 3-4 priorities for the Committee to accomplish in the upcoming Fiscal Year to be reviewed at a later meeting.

H. SET NEXT MEETING AND ACTION STEPS

The next meeting was set for July 1, 2020 at 4 p.m.

Note: This meeting was later changed to July 7, 2020 at 4 p.m.

The Committee requested the following actions from Metro Arts staff: set-up an orientation with Metro Legal to answer questions about the transition of the Antiracism Transformation team transition into an Arts Commission Committee/Arts Commission Bylaws, schedule a working session for the Committee to discuss priorities, organize a collective document of priorities for review, and research the possibility of holding meetings in a community space.

I. INDIVIDUAL COMMENT FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Commissioner Roberts opened the floor to any Committee member that wanted to comment on the recent tragedies and current events.

J. ADJOURN MEETING

Chair Paula Roberts adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.