

Metro Arts Commission
Minutes of the Commission Meeting
August 16, 2018
Metro Office Building 2nd floor, Davidson Conference Room
800 2nd Avenue South, Nashville, TN

Attending Commissioners: K. Clay Haynes (Chair); Jane Alvis; Niki Coffman; Toby Compton; Jackie Daniel; Manuel Delgado; Bonnie Dow; Dr. Ruth Ross Edmonds; Mohamed Shukri Hassan; Danielle McDaniel; Marielena Ramos; Jim Schmidt; Hope Stringer; and Marcus Whitney

Absent Commissioners: Larry Keeton

Staff: Caroline Vincent; Laurel Fisher; Lauren Fitzgerald; Tré Hardin; Van Maravalli; Ian Myers; Anne-Leslie Owens; Skylar Peterson; Olusola Tribble; Emily Covington, Malia Marcella (intern)

Guests: Carly Elliot (Metro Legal)

A. Call to Order

Metro Arts Commission Chair Clay Haynes called the July meeting to order at 12:01 PM.

B. Minutes of previous meeting

A motion to approve minutes from July 2018 meeting was offered by Commissioner Coffman and the motion passed.

C. Actions

a. Board Officers and Committees

The proposed 2019 Committee Structure and Members was presented to the board. Commissioner Manuel Delgado withdrew his nomination for Secretary/Treasurer, citing his demanding schedule and concern for time management in such a capacity. Commissioner Jim Schmidt was nominated for the position of Secretary/Treasurer. *A motion to approve the revised 2019 Committee Structure and Members was offered by Commissioner McDaniel, seconded by Commissioner Alvis, and the motion passed.*

b. ABC Grant Allocations

Grants Manager Laurel Fisher presented the board with ABC grant allocations. Fisher reported that during panel reviews Grand Master Fiddler Championship was found to be ineligible by Tennessee Arts Commission since the organization has already been awarded a FY19 grant award from TAC for the same project. After applicants were reviewed, twelve were fully funded, and one project received partial funding. *A motion to approve the ABC FY19 Grant allocations as proposed was offered by Commissioner Coffman, seconded by Commissioner McDaniel, and the motion passed.*

c. Learning Lab Residency Program

Public Art & Placemaking Project Manager Van Maravalli presented a PowerPoint presentation recapping 2018 Learning lab Artist Training Program and presenting a

new proposed Relationship and Partnership Development (R&D) funding model. The new residency –based model would require a 2 year engagement with artists and partners and would allow for flexible parameters around time and increased structure around deliverables. In year one, artists would receive a \$10,000 residency budget and year two would consist of budget and project concept proposals. There was discussion about the positives of creating an impactful relationship with partners and the effect of creating quality work.

A motion to approve the 2018 Learning Lab R&D Funding model was offered by Commissioner Stringer, seconded by Commissioner Compton, and was passed.

D. Updates

a. Operational

Interim Executive Director Caroline Vincent reported that budget adjustments were underway in order to comply with this year's savings goal. Small programmatic cuts and the absence of an ED will contribute to the goal.

b. Public Art & Placemaking

It was reported that Build Better Tables temporary art exhibition has been underway and is in its final stages. The exhibition was covered by several news outlets and has received other mention and coverage. News Channel 5 also featured an interview with Public Art coordinator Tré Hardin.

c. Community & Organizational Development

Olusola Tribble reported that the last day to submit REAL cadre and Crossroads applications is today. She also reported calendar invites will be sent out. The final deadline for RJAP project applications is next week. She reported that coachings are underway and awards will be determined in September. It was also reported that Opportunity NOW projects were complete. Tribble informed the board that Metro Arts had been invited to participate in shaping conference content for GARE.

E. New Business

Chair Haynes commended Tre on his work with BBT exhibition, noting the value and quality of the work. He also requested that calendar invites be sent for Metro Arts events to inform Commissioners of events.

Haynes also informed board members that in person interviews with ED candidates would be held on September 17 from 8 am to 1 pm.

F. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:43PM



Jim Schmidt (Secretary/Treasurer)

9-20-18
Date

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