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Meeting Minutes

MILWAUKEE ARTS BOARD

ALD. MICHAEL J. MURPHY, CHAIR

Ald. Nik Kovac, Vice-Chair

William DeLind, David Flores, Donald Fraker, Marcela Garcia, April Heding, Vedale Hill, Tina Klose, Diane Kosarzycki, Emilia Layden, Sandra McSweeney, Polly Morris, Tim Murphy, Paula Phillips, Kantara Souffrant, and Oscar Tovar

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Tuesday, January 11, 2022

4:00 PM

Virtual

Revised 3/18/22 - Clerical corrections to attendance.

1 Roll Call

The meeting convened at 4:13 pm due technical difficulties with the link.

Members present (11): Ald. Kovac, David Flores, Marcela Garcia, April Heding, Tina Klose, Diane Kosarzycki, Emilia Layden, Sandra McSweeney, Polly Morris, Tim Murphy, Kantara Souffrant.

Also present: Terri Grote and Sally Svetic from DCD and Sara Daleiden.

Members excused (5): Donald Fraker, Paula Phillips, Oscar Tovar and William DeLind.

Member absent (1): Vedale Hill.

2 Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Ms. Morris requested that on item 2 line 6 to change the word grass for dress (blue dress).

Tina Klose asked to include Vedale Hill as absent member.

Terri Grote said that Vedale Hill did not attend the last meeting.

David Flores moved approval of the minutes as amended. There were no objections.

3 Public Art Subcommittee Report

Ms. Morris said that the Conservation Fund is open and that a press release will be sent out shortly and asked to spread the word out that we have funds to help with the conservation of sculptures and other public arts projects and that it is a matching grant. Added that there is a huge progress on the residency program with Vanessa Koster and that a "plan of attack" was laid out for putting this program together and that the next that we will see is a piece that will summarize what the program is and that it will be used in a way to poll members interested in hosting an artist in residency and there will be two competitions: one for the departments to submit a request to be part of the program (able to fund only one on the pilot stage) and another one for an artist in residency (open bid) in terms of using artist involved in current issues that are

of the interest of the public.

4 New Business

a) Chair nominations and vote

b) Vice-chair nominations and vote

Ms. Morris nominated Ald. Kovac as the chair of the Milwaukee Arts Board Committee. The motion was supported by all the members present.

Mr. Flores moved to appoint Ald. Kovac as the chair of the committee seconded by Ms. Morris. There were no objections.

Ald. Kovac accepted the nomination and asked for nominations as vice-chair and said that he does not know if Ald. Johnson will appoint another alderperson.

Ms. Morris said that she could do a sort of interim vice- chair if necessary.

Terri Grote explained that it is definitely needed to have at least an interim vice-chair in case Ald. Kovac cannot run a meeting and while waiting to hear from Major Johnson (if any nominations are coming).

Mr. Flores moved to appoint Ms. Morris as interim vice-chair seconded by Emilia Layden. There were no objections.

5 Old Business

a) Encourage those MAB members to take their oaths

-Terri Grote explained that all those members who received a confirmation email must contact Laurie Phillips to take their oaths. Added that she will send an email with Laurie's information.

-Another conversation came up regarding on how to return the stipend checks from the arts board members. Terri Grote said that checks can be endorsed and sent to her either by interoffice mail or regular mail or drop it off and that checks will be returned to the account.

-Ald. Kovac also reminded members about filling the Statement of Economic Interest for 2021. The form and the fillable link were shared during the meeting with all the members.

-Sally Svetic said that she will be sending out information to the list of art organizations that Terri maintains with the application information and that on February 17, 2022 will be holding the virtual grant application workshop and that the application itself is due on March 7, 2022 before midnight and that the panel will review the applications on late April and that the final recommendations will come to the full board after May 10th. Added that it is a sustaining grant that will be reviewed based on application merits.

Ald. Kovac explained that last year it was a prorated amount and that it will be score ranked this time.

Sally Svetic said that the score grading will be send out for input and review.

-Mr. Flores said that he wanted to bring back a conversation that stopped before the pandemic regarding adding or how to articulate explicitly other protected groups that we should be reaching out like people with disabilities and LGBT.

Ms. Morris agreed and said that it is important to keep some ideas in mind to make sure that these communities are represented on the panel as well.

Mr. Flores said that if this board decides to change the list of the groups, then a change to the ordinance would be required to include those groups which right now is limited to racial and ethnic groups.

Ms. Layden said that she was part of the committee as well and that she will check her emails to see where the conversation ended to start from there.

Sally Svetic said that she will also review the emails from Sally W.

Mr. Flores said that he will do the same.

6 Announcements

No announcements were made.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 pm

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