



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

MILWAUKEE ARTS BOARD PUBLIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE

POLLY MORRIS, CHAIR

**Tina Klose, Emilia Layden, Sandra McSweeney, and Tim
Murphy**

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Tuesday, January 10, 2023

3:00 PM

Virtual

1. Roll call

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 pm

Members present: Morris, Layden and McSweeney, Ms. Klose and Mr. Murphy.

2. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Ms. Layden moved approval of the minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting. Ms. McSweeney seconded. There were no objections.

3. PAIR (New Work Fund)

*Public Artist in Residence (PAIR) Program
Milwaukee.gov/PAIR*

Ms. Svetic said that they are still waiting for the internal requirements to be finalized to start PAIR and to get that contract executed. She also said that in the meantime, Ms. Livermore is here to introduce herself.

Angie Livermore (PAIR Liaison Artist) said that she is eager to start and that it has been an unconventional process doing public works because of the liability insurance but that it's better to get the right one. She said that she has been taking notes that she can bring on why the process has been delayed just for future cycles and, how it can be prevented (as part of her roll). She said that she has been working mostly in MPS community for the last 15 years and that she just graduated from UWM in Studio Art and Community Art and Geography.

Ms. Morris said that there's often problem when trying to get things started but that Ms. Svetic is paying attention to this strange situations in order to avoid these issues in the future. Ms. Morris asked Angie what attracted her to this position.

Angie said that she forms part of the Bicycle Federation and that they do bicycle advocacy with youth and take walks with them as well. She said fatalities make her very angry. She also said that she was a pedestrian ambassador on the south side helping people crossing the streets and taking notes. She added that she forms part of two reckless driving coalitions close to schools and, that at their bike camp, the children observe traffic behaviors near their school and then they come up with materials that get printed. She said that they printed over 500 posters (in collaborations with a local artist) and hung them up on avenues, schools and public libraries.

Ms. Layden asked Angie when is she going to start officially.

Angie said that she has received some reports from Ms. Svetic that she has been

reading and that she thinks that she cannot do much until she knows the artists' proposal. She said that she is compiling a list of resources and community members that she has met for the reckless driving initiative that it will be shared. Angie asked about the projected timeline which she thinks is off now. Ms. Svetic said that there is no concern with the grant funding and that there is no issue in pushing the timeline due the delay. She also said that they already got an extension and, that the program will be a 12 month program starting the 1st day when the artist comes. Angie said that this job is 10-11 hours/wk and that it's good for the other job that she is applying for. Ms. Svetic said that there will be weeks with more or less hours depending on the artist's work flow but that she sees no issues with Angie making a determination based on her work schedule. Ms. Klose introduced herself and offered help to connect with other departments in the City.

4. Conservation Fund

Ms. Morris said that there is nothing to discuss. Ms. Svetic said that a press release for the Conservation Fund and Sustaining Grant went out today.

5. New Business

Ms. Klose said that the Office of Equity & Inclusion reached out to her for a project with a library and asked if there are any funds available for them. She said that there are two murals and that she offered them to come to a meeting to talk and to see if there is some kind of support, technical support or referrals. She said that she will have them to contact Ms. Svetic.

Ms. Morris said that there are things that the subcommittee still has to offer, like putting calls for an artist or advise.

Ms. Morris said that Ms. Svetic has been in communication with Darryll Davidson regarding the mural at their headquarters and that she is trying to get all the answers to figure out the scope of work that they are talking about. Ms. Morris also said that the budget is \$30,000 and that they want this job done by July. She asked the members to let her know if anyone is interested in this project once they get the whole picture.

Ms. Klose said that she is happy to help.

Ms. Layden said that is good to wait until we know the specifics of the project and that maybe it can be used as template for publicity because sometimes people do not realize the advisory stuff that the subcommittee is willing to do.

Ms. Morris said that it is a great idea to use it as a pilot for that.

Ms. Layden said that they can also be directed to other resources.

6. Old Business

Mr. Murphy said that it sounds like (per reading the minutes) that the Public Art Subcommittee has gone out of control and that to his recollection, all the members that have volunteered and that if anyone wanted to volunteer, they were more than willing and welcomed. So he asked if he is misunderstanding it.

Ms. Morris said that he is not misunderstanding it but that the full board decided that the Public Art Subcommittee should have put together bylaws. She added that is probably because it is a permanent long standing subcommittee.

Ms. Murphy said that he understands the need of rules but that it seems to him somewhat arbitrary.

Ms. Svetic said that the intention is to match it to the current functioning for future knowledge and, to make it as simple as possible. She also said that there was a recommendation to increase the number of members to 7 instead of 5.

Ms. Morris said that they need to align the serving periods with the Milwaukee Arts Board and that they can have additional terms if there are no objections.

Ms. McSweeney moved adjourn the meeting at 3:52 pm. Ms. Klose seconded. There were no objections.

*Yadira Melendez
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