



# City of Milwaukee

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## Meeting Minutes MILWAUKEE ARTS BOARD

**ALD. MICHAEL J. MURPHY, CHAIR**

**Ald. Nik Kovac, Vice-Chair**

**Rosemarie Balistreri, Daisy Cubias, William DeLind, David Flores, Donald Fraker, Marcela Garcia, Mildred Harpole, Vedale Hill, Anne Kingsbury, Tina Klose, Diane Kosarzycki, Emilia Layden, Sandra McSweeney, Polly Morris, and Tim Murphy**

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Tuesday, April 14, 2015

4:00 PM

Room 303, City Hall

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Meeting called to order at 4:24 p.m.

### 1. Roll Call

*Mr. DeLind presided as chair absent Ald. Murphy.*

**Present** 12 - Murphy, DeLind, Kingsbury, McSweeney, Morris, Flores, Murphy, Harpole, Klose, Layden, Balistreri and Hill

**Absent** 3 - Cubias, Kovac and Garcia

**Excused** 1 - Kosarzycki

*Also present:*

*Sally Witte, Department of City Development*

### 2. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

*Meeting minutes from March 10, 2015 were approved without objection. Ald. Murphy and Ms. Kosarzycki excused. Ald. Kovac, Ms. Garcia, and Ms. Cubias were absent.*

### 3. Public Art Subcommittee Report

*New Work Fund*

*Ms. Morris said that the fund is still open due to receipt of many applications. The subcommittee was presented with a temporary event project called "Temporary Resurfacing" at its meeting today requesting about \$8000 from the board. The event drew 500 attendees last year. Big expense is equipment. The subcommittee recommends awarding the project \$2500 from the fund to cover artist honorarium.*

*There will be 30 artists involved.*

*Ms. Morris moved approval, seconded by Mr. Flores, to award \$2500 from the New Work Fund to the Temporary Resurfacing Project to cover artist honorarium. There were no objections. Ald. Murphy and Ms. Kosarzycki excused. Ald. Kovac, Ms. Garcia, and Ms. Cubias were absent.*

*Ms. Morris added that the subcommittee received a new proposal from the Riverworks Center regarding a project by local artists Tyanna Buie on the Beer Line Trail. The project will likely get some funding from the Greater Milwaukee Foundation and the City's Healthy Neighborhoods Initiative. The proposal will be formally presented to the subcommittee at its next meeting.*

#### **4. Grants Update**

*Ms. Witte gave an update. The Arts Board received 45 eligible proposals for grants by the March 9, 2015 deadline. There will be an eight member grant review panel consisting of three board members and five community members with varying art form expertise. Panel members received grant materials at an orientation on April 7, 2015. The panel will review and score applications at an all-day session open to the public on May 6, 2015 on the first floor of the Ziedler Municipal Building, 841 N. Broadway. Mr. DeLind will be the moderator. Panel recommendations will be forwarded to the board at its next meeting on May 12, 2015. The annual Grant Awards Celebration and Friends of the Arts Awards will occur following the board's regular meeting of June 9, 2015 in the City Hall Rotunda.*

#### **5. Friends of the Art Vote**

*Ald. Murphy joined the board at 4:30 p.m. Ald. Murphy presided as chair.*

*Ms. Balistreri nominated Lori Bauman and Steve VandeZande to recognize them for their commitment, contribution, and assistance to the arts community, students, local artists, and local and national artist work exhibits. She's worked with both individuals during her teaching tenure at the Milwaukee High School of Arts and through the Milwaukee Art Museum. Both persons are co-founders of Redline. There were no other nominations.*

*Ms. Balistreri moved approval, seconded by Mr. DeLind, to award the Friends of the Arts Vote to Lori Bauman and Steve VandeZande, as nominated. There were no objections. Ms. Kosarzycki excused. Ald. Kovac, Ms. Garcia, and Ms. Cubias were absent.*

*Ald. Murphy said that the next meeting of the board will take place at an upper level space of the Marcus Performing Arts Center. He will work with the center and Ms. Witte on acquiring the space. Furthermore, future meetings can occur there if so desired by the board.*

*Ald. Murphy announced that he is assisting in raising funds for the MKE Plays program. The goal of the program is to renovate twelve central city playgrounds in the City. \$300,000 has been awarded from the Zilber Foundation and another grant was received from the Lake Michigan Foundation. Goal is to raise \$1 million in the next two months and to complete renovation within three years. Sites with the worst condition were picked by the City's Commissioner of the Department of Public Works.*

*The community will be involved with design. There will be several in-kind contributions from contractors. Members are asked to consider an art component at these playgrounds.*

**Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.**

**Chris Lee, Staff Assistant**