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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, December 11, 2018

4:00 PM

Room 303, City Hall

The meeting convened at 4:00 PM

Individuals also present:

Sally Witte, DCD

Tea Norfolk, LRB

1. Roll Call

Present 12 - Murphy, DeLind, Kingsbury, McSweeney, Morris, Flores, Kosarzycki, Murphy, Kovac, Harpole, Balistreri and Hill

Excused 5 - Cubias, Fraker, Klose, Layden and Garcia

2. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Mr. Flores moved approval of the minutes, seconded by Mr. DeLind. There were no objections.

3. Public Art Subcommittee Report

Ms. Morris stated the Subcommittee voted to have a rolling application deadline for the New Work Fund and those who would like first consideration must submit their applications by February 28, 2019. Ms. Morris moved for a rolling New Work Fund deadline for 2019, seconded by Mr. DeLind. There were no objections. She added that the Subcommittee began looking at conservation of the City art collection.

Ms. Morris moved approval of the Watermarks project with DCD, seconded by Mr. Flores. There were no objections.

4. Official City Flag Subcommittee Report and Recommendations

Tea Norfolk presented the Findings and Recommendations Regarding the Official City Flag. Mr. Flores thanked Ms. Norfolk, Ms. Witte, and Ms. Kuether-Steele for their assistance with the Subcommittee. He stated the report should be amended to include that the Subcommittee reviewed voluminous news articles, social media posts, public commentary, City meeting minutes and video, and presentation from the People's Flag group. The amendment was made with no objections. He added that the report should be amended to include that the elderly and those not technology rich were left out of the process as well, that it wasn't just about race and ethnicity. The amendment was made with no objections.

Mr. DeLind thanked Ms. Norfolk, Ms. Witte, and Ms. Kuether-Steele for their assistance with the Subcommittee. Ms. Witte thanked the Subcommittee for their hard work and handling of public scrutiny. Ald. Kovac thanked the Subcommittee for their work.

Mr. DeLind moved approval, seconded by Ms. Morris.

5. Grants Report

Ms. Witte stated the Jewish Museum Milwaukee is unable to display Veder: The Underground Magazine of the Terezin Ghetto, and would instead like to use their grant for Pictures of Resistance: The Wartime Photos of Faye Shulman. The Board agreed that because it was a substantial change, the grant could not be used for the new exhibit.

Ms. Witte stated it is unclear about when the 2 years starts for the 501(c)(3) status, she recommends that it be 2 years from the application deadline. Mr. DeLind moved to amend the application to state the organization must be a 501(c)(3) for 2 years from the application deadline, seconded by Ald. Kovac. There were no objections.

Ms. Witte stated there is an increase in funding for the grants of an additional \$90,000 since 2014, so grants could increase to \$4,000 and \$8,000 instead of the \$3,500 and \$7,000. Ald. Murphy stated there has been no increase, so due to inflation so he recommends and increase. Ms. McSweeney stated applications get turned down because of lack of funding. Ms. Morris stated the Arts Board used to give out \$8,000 so this would be a return to previous levels. Mr. Flores stated the number of applications has been steady from year to year. Mr. DeLind stated he would like to see an increase in funding. Mr. DeLind moved to increase funding to \$4,000 and \$8,000, seconded by Ald. Kovac. There were no objections.

6. Old Business

There was no old business.

7. New Business

There was no new business.

The meeting adjourned at 4:36 PM.

Molly Kuether-Steele

Staff Assistant

Items related to this meeting can be found in the following file:

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Communication relating to the 2018 activities of the Milwaukee Arts Board.

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