

Minutes approved by the PAC on February 10, 2011.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by Chair Kathleen Leatham. Present: Kathleen Leatham, Philip Thias, Linda Taylor, Kathy Broom, Dana Zurcher, Ruth Anne McCullough, Vicki Pich, Pat Truax and Jim Flory.
Council Liaison: Tom BeLusko
Staff: Colleen Winters, Bev Maughan
Excused: Liam Cooper
Guest: Donna House

- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: NONE**

- 3. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2010:** Vicki made the motion to accept the minutes and Ruth Anne seconded. No discussion. Unanimous vote.

- 4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS: Item 5G. Closer Look Ad Request**

- 5. BUSINESS:**
 - A. Election of Chair:** With appreciation and encouragement from the commission, the following slate of officers was proposed: Chair – Kathleen Leatham, Vice-Chair – Pat Truax, Secretary – Ruth Anne McCullough. Jim moved, seconded by Vicki, that the proposed nominations be approved. With all those present voting in favor, the motion passed.
 - B. Goals:**
 - Review 2009/2010 Goals: Kathleen reviewed the 2009 goals that were carried over through 2010. Discussion ensued on the continued need for advocacy of the arts in the schools and reaching children. Suggestions and options mentioned included promoting after-school activities, music academy, training teachers in how to teach art, using private individuals as instructors, facilitating donations to school art programs that may become unfunded, Pacific University's Arts Division partnering with the school district, work study proposals, using senior facilities' buses for transportation to school field trips such as TITG performances, and submitting an advocacy letter to the FGSD School Summit and News Times.
 - 2011 GOALS were established as follows:
 1. To enhance and expand the arts in the community of Forest Grove through Advocacy, Visibility and Accessibility.
 2. To increase and improve access to the arts for the children of Forest Grove through Advocacy, Visibility and Accessibility.
 3. To continue the management of the City art collection through visibility, accessibility, and preservation.
 4. To define the general expectations of the Commission, including participation and role clarification.
 5. To identify and implement means of funding commission activities.

C. Art Acquisition

- Evaluation of process: Commissioners turned in their evaluations which will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- Next acquisition—delayed until after funding has been established.

D. Funding: PAC needs money to enact its goals. Kathleen will invite a professional arts fund raiser to next month's meeting to help with fundraising and training in grant writing.

E. Partnerships/Projects:

- Pat reported the Art Rotation subcommittee has taken an initial review of the art in the auditorium and other facilities and suggests that the display case be reorganized with other exhibits and that current exhibits are rotated to other facilities for display. In response to an inquiry regarding process, Colleen responded that other Boards & Commissions would not need to be involved for temporary rotation and display. Councilor BeLusko will report the art rotation concept to the City Council.
- Kathy Broom will contact the Community School to check on the educational garden project they are doing partially with mini-grant funds to insure that progress is being made.
- There was consensus that PAC should reconnect and advocate partnerships with City Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Writers in the Grove. Kathleen will attend the City Club and Chamber meetings to advocate partnership and reconnect to open door for round two of art acquisition.
- Donna suggested that PAC hold an Art Summit to help local artists from all disciplines become aware of PAC and its goals as well as to create a registry.

F. Council Support: Councilor BeLusko described his liaison role as a PAC advocate with an opportunity to push PAC's agenda to the community with Council support. He asked for ideas or items he could address at the Council level and discussion ensued. Topics mentioned included quality of life connects with economic development so there should be greater collaboration between EDC/tourism and PAC, addressing the need to keep retail businesses downtown to collaborate with PAC's efforts to enhance community art downtown, sustainability, and getting information to new residents.

G. Closer Look Ad: Ruth Anne moved, seconded by Jim, that the PAC purchase a ¼ page ad from leadership gift funds in the amount of \$250.00. With all those present voting in favor, the motion passed. Ruth Anne will contact Janet Peters at the News-Times to design the ad for Closer Look.

6. COMMISSIONERS' COMMUNICATIONS: Kathleen thanks those who attended the Boards & Commissions Recognition Dinner and reminded everyone that the Annual Town Meeting would be held on Saturday, January 29.

7. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: Colleen reported that new furniture has been selected and ordered for the children's section of the library. She also noted that the Library Foundation will discuss framing the Chalk Art panels at their next meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. **NEXT MEETING: FEB 10, 2011.**

Respectfully submitted:
Ruth Anne McCullough