CITY OF COSTA MESA
CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

January 14, 2005

PRESENT: Donna Robb, Kathleen Eric, Thomas Tom, Ted Baker, Linda Garbett

ABSENT: Diane Doyle (excused), Mary Ellen Nero

COUNCIL LIAISON: Eric Bever (unable to attend tonight)

STAFF: Jana Ransom, Recreation Manager

GUEST: Silvia Marson, Gourd Artist

CALL TO ORDER: Donna Robb called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the Minutes of October 13, 2004 by Thomas Tom, seconded by Linda Garbett, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

OLD BUSINESS:

a. **Chalk Art Event Evaluation** – Individual Feedback: Donna – was very pleased; Kathleen – liked that all ages participated; Ted – Excellent for the 1st effort, it drew kids from the soccer field;
Everyone agreed we should do this again. Comments on the next one:
Jana – commented on an open draw area; Linda - suggested an area where people can add on to other drawings;
Music – how to blend the music in with the chalk
Agreed to plan a separate meeting to discuss next event. Date TBD

b. **Art in Public Places** – Kathleen to review notes and draft letter to David Wilson to readdress request for funds to hire a consultant to assist in the rewriting of the Policy and Procedure Manual

c. **Youth Art Gallery** – Discussed the need to expand our reach for participants since many of the school have limited resources. Current calendar is wide open. Linda to talk to Page Private School about signing up for either February or March. Linda to work on new database and work with Kathleen to keep the Gallery moving forward. Jana to send any lists, letters, etc to Linda/Kathleen.

d. **Huscroft House Funds** – Jana reported that of the $200K budget allocated City Council decided to use $135K to create a WWII Memorial; $65K remaining. Committee to submit ideas by March 7th. The following were the ideas from the Historical Committee:
   1. Use as match for grant application (Goddard) - cited "Saving America's treasures" grant which requires a 1:1 match and deadline to apply is February 1, 2005. Jana noted that there are a couple of other opportunities out there that City has inquired about and appears to be well positioned for. Jana also pointed out that the Committee's remaining Signs of Support money could also be dedicated to this purpose.
   2. Provide funding to Historical Society for needed equipment and Adobe for restoration (Goddard/McQueen). $10-15,000 is needed to create a "clipping file". Historical Society also needs Microfilm machine, shelves, book carts and a computer server. The restoration of the Adobe cost is estimated to run $80,000.

3. Develop and install a recognition piece at Fairview Park for the area's "first people" (McQueen).
4. Develop and install a recognition piece Airfield History (Gardner)
5. Develop and install recognition pieces of significant Costa Mesa events and things at/near the locations of same (all), develop supporting brochure.
6. Commission several murals depicting Costa Mesa history around the City.

e. **KOCE Butterfly Project** – City of Costa Mesa will have two butterflies. Harvey Clemens (retired instructor from Golden West) has been asked to create one by Jim Garman from the Costa Mesa Community Foundation; Donna Robb offered to do the CAC Butterfly if the material costs could be paid for by the City/Committee. Motion to approve materials cost for Robb Butterfly by Thomas, second by Garbett, passed unanimously. CAC members to submit ideas on subject to Donna ASAP.
f. **Costa Mesa Artist Recognition** - Tabled
g. **Establish an Art Gallery** for Costa Mesa Artists to Display their Work - Discuss under Goals (New Business)
h. **Bus Shelter Art** - Discuss under Goals (New Business)

NEW BUSINESS

a. **Elections** – January – Not discussed
b. **Goals, Objectives and Budget** – see attached sheet
c. **Artist Directory Schedule to Update** – see attached sheet
d. **New Members** – Everyone was asked to help recruit new members
e. **Sister City Arts Alliance** – No new information

2005 Goals and Objectives

1. Maintain Artists Directory – Approved
2. Maintain Youth Artists Gallery - Approved
3. Chalk Art Event – Approved; need to set meeting
4. Public Art Policy revision – Kathleen to draft letter
5. Participate in KOCE Butterfly Project – see minutes
6. Bus Shelter Art Program – on hold
7. Wyndham, Australia Sister City Project – on hold
8. Artist Gallery – Approved
9. Community Awareness of Cultural Arts Committee – Approved
10. Provide City Council with advice relative to issues relating to Cultural Arts - Approved

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS - NA

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS – NA

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

Next meeting: February 10, 2005, 6:30pm at Costa Mesa City Hall conference room 3A

Respectfully submitted by: Linda Garbett