

**CITY OF COSTA MESA
CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE
Meeting Date: August 13, 2015**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:49 pm by Frank

Present: Frank Gutierrez, Irene Engard, Kathleen Eric, Tony Manrique, Andrea Marr, Tracy Taber, Lisa Grant, Chrystal Swope and alternates Jason Komala & Rocky Evans

Absent: Monica Morita

Staff Present: Justin Martin

Council Member: Katrina Foley (absent)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES July 9, 2015 meeting minutes

Andrea made a motion to accept minutes with suggested changes; seconded by Irene; passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Art in Public Places – Utility Box Art

1. Frank spoke about the next box (6th) being installed at Placentia and 17th St. in the coming week. In addition, Frank mentioned one box had minor graffiti/scratches and it was fixed within twenty four hours. Staff mentioned that funding has been secured for six additional boxes, with two being located at the high schools.
2. Frank mentioned the sub-committees thoughts on a sponsorship program and how they will explore for the next meeting.

B. Youth Art Gallery

1. Staff spoke about the gallery and its upcoming participants. The C4CA is being spotlighted as a new group in September.

C. ARTventure

1. Staff spoke about the Segerstrom Center for the Arts providing musicians and how the advertising /marketing plan is rolling out to the general public. Social media postings, newspaper ads, e-mail blastings, the Cm Minute and in-person contact are the main points in the plan. The call for artists is open through 10/1 but can easily be kept open if need be through 11/1 at the latest.

D. Senior Center Art Display

1. Irene spoke about how specs have been given and that three bids were received.
2. Staff will forward to purchasing whom will move forward with a hanging system.

3. Kathleen is still searching for sculpture for the staircase landing at the Senior Center.

E. Bark Park Storage Facility Painting

1. Rocky spoke about the call for artist and the meeting with Jason and staff regarding the details of the mural project. In addition, Rocky mentioned that the city will prepare the surface and provide all supplies for the selected artist.
2. Discussion began about the appropriate honorarium for such a project. Kathleen motioned to approve \$500 for a mural honorarium, Andrea seconded; passed unanimously.
3. The sub-committee will meet again before the next meeting to look at possible dates and a timeline for this project. It may work best in conjunction with the Arts in the Park event in the Spring.

F. Art in the Park 2016

1. Tracy spoke about not having any major updates. The sub-committee will give updates with dates, locations and such at the next meeting in September.
2. Staff will meet with the sub-committee to discuss before the next meeting.

G. Costa Mesa Foundation Grant

1. Andrea made mention that she is awaiting a response from the Costa Mesa Foundation, which staff will follow up.

H. Transportation Underpass Art Project

1. Chrystal spoke about her findings and showed the group a presentation that she put together regarding the project. Chrystal thinks it's doable, but will require a lot of background work. In addition, she mentioned that a mural will not be enough for the space.
2. There are a large amount of rules to follow and a project of this magnitude can become very expensive.
3. Frank and Chrystal will move forward with this project.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Frank spoke about the Arts & Learning Conservatory's proposal for grant funding from the Committee. They have asked for funding to cover youth literature program needs. The committee discussed the proposal in length and a vote was taken.

B. Andrea motioned to decline accepting the proposal, Tracy, Jason, and Rocky seconded; motion fails to move forward.

C. Lisa will move forward with getting more details from the organization to see if they can get help in another area or in another way other than what was proposed.

6. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

A. Irene mentioned that she is showing two pieces of art at the OC Fair.

B. Kathleen spoke about Segerstrom Center tour for the group and if there would be another opportunity.

C. Tony spoke about his chorus national tour and how excellent it went.

7. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Frank at 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 10, at 6:45 p.m. in 1A City Hall