



**AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting – Monday, January 26, 2015**  
Cultural Arts Division offices  
201 E. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas

Commissioners in attendance: Brett Barnes (Chair), Scott Daigle (Vice Chair), Ernest Auerbach, Lulu Flores, Samuel Tinnon, Amy Wong Mok, Bruce Willenzik

Staff in attendance: Vicky Valdez, Meghan Wells, Lani Golstab, Maggie Stenz

**A. Chair Barnes called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.**

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 8, 2014  
Minutes approved

**C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**D. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair reminded everyone to check their Boards & Commissions emails for notifications from the City Clerk and that all current members will serve through June 2015.

**E. SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

1. Anne-Marie McKaskle, Austin Creative Alliance - NowPlayingAustin.com

**F. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed "Homecoming Memorial" Artwork Donation  
Motion: to create a Working Group, consisting of Commissioners Willenzik and Flores, to meet with the donor to discuss alternate sites and designs

Made by: Auerbach    Seconded by: Daigle

Vote called: passed 6-0, Commissioner Wong Mok absent

**G. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discussion and Action Items
  - a. Approve Community Initiatives Funding Recommendations  
15 CI 9 SP, Austin Creative Alliance/Chapparral Eurythmy  
15 CI 10 SP, Austin Creative Alliance/Montopolis Productions  
15 CI 11 SP, Vortex Repertory Company/Nate Cross  
15 CI 12 SP, ?/GaybiGayGay

Motion: to approve the Community Initiatives Funding Recommendations

Made by: Daigle    Seconded by: Willenzik

Vote called: passed 6-0, Commissioner Wong Mok absent

- b. Approve Deaccession Jury Recommendations for *On the Green*, Art in Public Places artwork commissioned for Roy Kizer Golf Course

Motion: to approve the deaccession jury's recommendations to deaccession *On the Green*, Art in Public Places artwork commissioned for Roy Kizer Golf Course

Made by: Daigle      Seconded by: Flores

Vote called: passed 7-0, unanimous

- c. Approve Deaccession Jury Recommendations for *Letterscape*, Art in Public Places artwork commissioned for the Health and Human Services Betty Dunkerley Campus

Motion: to approve the deaccession jury's recommendation not to deaccession *Letterscape*, Art in Public Places artwork commissioned for the Health and Human Services Betty Dunkerley Campus; to have a 60-day period of discussion between artist, Health and Human Services Department, and Art in Public Places about reimagining and/or restoring the artwork; and to have the jury evaluate and bring a new recommendation back to the Arts Commission

Made by: Willenzik      Seconded by: Flores

Vote called: passed 7-0, unanimous

- d. Approve the Prospectus for the Deep Eddy/Eilers Park Art in Public Places Project

Motion: to approve the prospectus for the Deep Eddy/Eilers Park Art in Public Places Project

Made by: Flores      Seconded by: Wong Mok

Vote called: passed 7-0, unanimous

- e. Approve the Prospectus for the TEMPO Art in Public Places Project

Motion: to approve the prospectus for the TEMPO Art in Public Places Project

Made by: Tinnon      Seconded by: Auerbach

Vote called: passed 7-0, unanimous

- f. Approve the Selection Process Recommendation for the Austin Studios Expansion Art in Public Places Project

Motion: to approve the selection process recommendation for the Austin Studios Expansion Art in Public Places Project

Made by: Flores      Seconded by: Wong Mok

Vote called: passed 7-0, unanimous

- g. Approve the Selection Process Recommendation for the Austin Bergstrom International Airport Entrance Art in Public Places Project

Motion: to approve the selection process recommendation for the Austin Bergstrom International Airport Entrance Art in Public Places Project

Made by: Wong Mok      Seconded by: Daigle

Vote called: passed 5-2, Commissioners Auerbach, Flores, Daigle, and Wong Mok for; Commissioners Barnes and Willenzik against

- h. Approve the Selection Process Recommendation for the Austin Police Department Mounted Patrol Facility Art in Public Places Project

Motion: to approve the selection process recommendation for the Austin Police Department Mounted Patrol Facility Art in Public Places Project

Made by: Auerbach      Seconded by: Flores  
Vote called: passed 7-0, unanimous

i. Establish a Joint Issues Working Group with the Music Commission  
Motion: to establish a Joint Issues Working Group with the Music Commission Willenzik, Barnes, Flores

Made by: Wong Mok      Seconded by: Tinnon  
Vote called: passed 7-0, unanimous

## **H. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

Acting Cultural Arts Program Manager Vicky Valdez and Art in Public Places Administrator Meghan Wells gave updates on division activities.

## **I. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

1. Chair Barnes gave information about the Texas Commission on the Arts conference, 1/29-1/30.
2. Commissioner Auerbach gave information about the Austin Opera production of *Romeo and Juliet*.
3. Commissioner Daigle reported on a production of *Deus Ex Machina* by Fusebox and Shrewd Productions.
4. Commissioner Wong Mok gave information about the Lunar New Year celebration on 2/14/15.
5. Commissioner Flores reported on the opening of a new exhibition at the Mexic-Arte Museum.

## **J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

## **K. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.