



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

4:30 PM

See top of Agenda for virtual meeting log in details

A. Call To Order

Call to order at 4:33 p.m.

Staff: Mark Fraire, Augusta Brulla

Present 8 - AMNERIS CURET, MARY KLEHR, MARCIA MIQUELON, STEVEN MORGAN,
KELLY PARKS-SNIDER, RODERICK RITCHERSON, FRAN PULEO MOYER, and
YOGESH CHAWLA

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2021
MIN-738](#)

[Minutes from the March 16, 2022 Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission Meeting]

Attachments: [2021 MIN-738](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Puleo Moyer to approve the March 16, 2022, Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission meeting minutes, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan.

The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

C. Action Items

- Chair Ritcherson stated that this meeting will be focused only on the grant application review process and the allocation of grant awards. Reports to committees and other normal business will resume at the next monthly meeting.

- A note on the grant process: Grants are reviewed by Dane Arts staff first, then reviewed and scored by panels, scores are reviewed by the Executive Committee for recommendation for approval by the full Commission, then approved by full Commission.

An example of the discussed grant allocation formula is available to view here:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14dXObCUerGDVgSy3x0hgeU-zUYLxgl_B/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=107371409276930589885&rtpof=true&sd=true

1. Grant allocation cut off level, Minimum grant award allocation

- A minimum grant award for all eligible applications was previously discussed by the full Commission and Executive Committee

- The Executive Committee recommends a minimum grant award of \$500 for the 2022 Cycle 1 applications

- Vice Chair Morgan pointed out that in past cycles, there was a larger gap between the lowest scoring grants, but in 2022 Cycle 1 there was no such gap, and all applications were deemed eligible

A motion was made by Commissioner Curet to award a minimum of \$500 to every eligible grant applicant in 2022 Cycle 1, seconded by Vice Chair Morgan.

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

2. Final review/approval of cycle one grant award allocations

- According to Dane Arts policy, if a commissioner has a potential conflict of interest within a grant application, they must recuse themselves from voting on the grant award during the given cycle

- In 2022 Cycle 1, Commissioner Miquelon will recuse herself due to a potential conflict of interest as a sub-recipient of application #23605 (Madison Children's Museum)

- A new mathematical formula developed by Commissioner Curet will be applied to the allocation of 2022 Cycle 1 funds, and grant allocation amounts will directly correspond with applicants' scores

- A minimum award assures eligible lower scoring applicants still receive funds of at least \$500, if warranted.

A motion was made by Commissioner Klehr to approve the proposed grant allocations totaling \$95,399 among the 59 2022 Cycle 1 applicants, seconded by Commissioner Parks Snider.

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

3. Approve two selected Dane County sponsored artists for EUARCA+ 2022

- Dane Arts is supporting the County Board of Supervisors' relationship with sister County, Kassel, in Germany by selecting two artists to represent Dane County during EUARCA+ 2022 (European Art Camp), August 7 – 22

- 17 applications were received and two artists, Angelica Contreras and Helen Hawley, were selected as ambassadors to represent Dane County

A motion was made by Vice Chair Morgan to approve the selections of Angelica Contreras and Helen Hawley, seconded by Commissioner Klehr.

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

D. Presentations

None

E. Reports to Committee

None

1. Executive committee (Chair) report

None

2. Commissioner Area of Focus reports

None

3. Executive Director/staff reports

None

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Review of upcoming May/June commission discussion topics

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

- Grant panel review recordings will be available online for review by the public
- Grant dollars will be released as soon as the county receives required paperwork
- Madison Magazine interviewed Director Fraire and is writing a story about Dane Arts' partnership with Forward Madison Soccer team

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by Commissioner Parks Snider to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Augusta Brulla pending Commissioner approval.