



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission Executive Committee

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Friday, August 12, 2022

8:00 AM

See top of Agenda for virtual meeting log in  
details

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#### A. Call To Order

Call to order at 8:08 a.m.

Staff: Mark Fraire, Augusta Brulla

**Present** 3 - MARY KLEHR, FRAN PULEO MOYER, and RODERICK RITCHERSON

**Excused** 1 - MARCIA MIQUELON

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2022 MIN-215](#) [Minutes from the 06/10/2022 Arts and Cultural Affairs Executive Committee Meeting]

Attachments: [2022 MIN-215](#)

*Approval of the June Commission minutes will be postponed until the next Executive Committee meeting.*

#### 2. Approve June commission minutes for recommendation to full commission

*Chair Ritcherson requested to amend the minutes as follows:*

*- Move Jessica Cavazos and Yogesh Chawla to the list of "present" and remove "additional participants" line.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Klehr to recommend the 06/15/2022 Commission minutes for approval by the full Commission, seconded by Commissioner Puleo Moyer.**

**The motion to approve the minutes as amended by Chair Ritcherson was carried unanimously by a voice vote.**

#### C. Cycle 2 Grants Review

##### 1. Update on number of anticipated applications

- The 2022 Cycle 2 grant application is now closed
- There are a total of 49 eligible applicants

**2. Update of anticipated number of panel review committees needed**

- Director Fraire recommends three panels with three reviewers on each panel for this cycle of applications
- Each panelist will be required to review approximately 15 applications
- The consensus was to proceed with three reviewers per panel
- The panel reviews will take place via Zoom

**3. Update on amount of funds for distribution**

- A motion will be made to approve the cycle 2 funding for distribution at the next meeting

**4. Any issues to anticipate**

- A commissioner will need to be appointed to replace Vice Chair Morgan in leading one of the grant review panels

**D. Executive Committee/Commission Discussion Topics**

**1. Each member suggests one issue/topic to discuss**

-same request to commissioners

- Chair Ritcherson requested that each Executive Committee member bring forth one topic for the commission to discuss
- The same request will be made of commissioners

**2. Prioritize**

- Executive Committee will prioritize topics, based on commissioners' input, that will be discussed at future commission meetings

**E. Revisit Areas of Focus**

**1. New assignments**

- Existing areas of focus include bringing forth new individual artists to grow the Dane Arts contact list, bringing forth new organizations, Commissioner Handbook, new commissioner recruitment, public relations, and fund advisory
- Each commissioner will be asked if they want to continue present area of focus, or be assigned to a new area of focus

**F. Vacant Commissioner Positions Update**

- Laura Gallagher and Jennifer Garret are in the process of final approval to join the commission
- Director Fraire is in communication with several additional individuals about serving on the Commission
- Dane Arts staff and commissioners will continuously be adding to the list of potential commissioners
- A link to a list of commissioner ideas will be saved on the Commissioner portal.

## **G. August Meeting Location**

### **1. Current county position on in-person, virtual, hybrid meetings**

- Chair Ritcherson posed the question of whether Dane Arts meetings must be administered by Dane County staff or conducted by the Dane County system
- This will be answered by a Dane County Legislative Specialist
- The August commission meeting will be cancelled, and an email will be sent to the commission in preparation for the September meeting
- A Doodle poll will be sent out in August to establish possible new future commission meeting day/time starting in January 2023

### **2. Future “off-site” meeting possibilities**

- It is still to be determined whether in-person meetings are allowed per Dane County Covid regulations

## **H. Executive Director Report**

- Dane Arts has hired Rachel Proite, Bolz graduate, to assist
- Upcoming events include DABL, the 2023 poster and calendar release and event on October 17, the ongoing Arts and Economic Prosperity audience-intercept survey, collecting the hundreds of eligible arts and culture nonprofits in Dane County
- Director Fraire and Cultural Affairs Specialist Brulla wrote a request for the Cultural Affairs position to be funded by the county rather than private funds
- Dane Arts requires assistance with DABL Sept 14 – 17 and the Arts and Economic Prosperity surveys now through April 2023
- Dane Arts has secured a new literary Artist in Residence, Katherine Zlabek, at StartingBlock Madison
- Grant review panels will be planned for mid-September
- Dane Arts is supporting the September 17 Willy Street Fair performing artists

### **1. Incident at MMoCA/panel update**

- Several artists have withdrawn from the Triennial due to the several situations with Triennial exhibiting artist Lilada Gee
- Several MMoCA board members have resigned

## **I. Develop August Commission Meeting Agenda**

- The agenda was not developed since the commission will not meet this month

## **J. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**

- Director Fraire is engaging Supervisor Yogesh Chawla to create a Dane Arts Friends Group

## **K. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

None

## **L. Adjourn**

*Meeting adjourned at 8:59 a.m.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Puleo Moyer to adjourn.**

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Augusta Brulla pending Executive Committee approval.**