



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, November 9, 2022

8:00 AM

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A. Call To Order

Call to order at 8:01 a.m.

Staff: Mark Fraire, Augusta Brulla

Present 9 - AMNERIS CURET, LAURA GALLAGHER, JENNIFER GARRETT, MARY KLEHR,
MARCIA MIQUELON, KELLY PARKS-SNIDER, FRAN PULEO MOYER,
RODERICK RITCHERSON, and OLIVIA XISTRIS-SONGPANYA

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022](#)
[MIN-404](#)

[MINUTES FROM THE 10/19/2022 ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
COMMISSION MEETING]

Attachments: [2022 MIN-404](#)

A motion was made by Supervisor Xistris-Songpanya to approve the minutes
from the 10/19/22 Commission meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Klehr.

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

C. Presentations

1. Pat Dillon, Cultural Connections

- *The focus of Dillon's work is children affected by mass incarceration, primarily children who have parents that are incarcerated.*
- *Ages range K-middle school and there is potential for high school students also.*
- *The Cultural Connections program provides an important space for students to connect to each other and the community through visual arts.*
- *Upcoming events include an exhibition at Abel Contemporary Gallery in Stoughton, WI on January 13, 2023.*

D. Action Items

- **A motion was made by Vice Chair Klehr to approve Capital grant awards of \$1,500 each to Overture Center for the arts and Madison Circus Space, seconded by Parks snider.**

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

1. Cycle 2 Capitol Grants Approval

The 2022 Cycle 2 Capital grants are afforded by the Lussier fund, not the 2022 Cycle 2 grant budget.

- **A motion was made by Vice Chair Klehr to approve Capital grant awards of \$1,500 each to Overture Center for the arts and Madison Circus Space, seconded by Parks snider.**

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Short Order Grants Approval

The 2022 Cycle 2 Short Order grants are afforded by the Lussier fund, not the 2022 Cycle 2 grant budget.

- **A motion was made by Vice Chair Klehr to approve funding short order projects submitted by Emerson Elementary School (\$850) and Central Midwest Ballet (\$600), seconded by Puleo Moyer.**

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

2. Approve 2023 Meeting Calendar

The Commission will meet the second Wednesday of each month, starting at 8 a.m. There will be no meetings in July or December.

- **A motion was made by Supervisor Xistris-Songpanya to approve the 2023 Commission meeting schedule seconded by Commissioner Gallagher.**

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

3. Review/approve Areas of Focus

- Executive Committee: Ritcherson, Klehr, Miquelon, Puleo Moyer, Xistris-Songpanya
- Community Engagement/Publicity focus area (publicity, outreach, special events): Parks Snider, Puleo Moyer
- Marketing, including Arts and Economics AEP focus area: Gallagher, Miquelon
- Building our Artist Pool focus area: Parks Snider (see community engagement)
- Friends of Dane Arts/Fund Advisory focus area: Ritcherson
- Grants Review focus area: Curet
- Policy and Handbook focus area: Klehr

Continue to explore:

- Whether a focus area of new Commissioner Prospects is necessary: Puleo Moyer
- Whether to add a Volunteers focus area
- Further discussion of the Resource/Fund Development focus area: Gallagher, Xistris-Songpanya

A motion was made by Commissioner Puleo Moyer to approve the Areas of Focus as outlined, seconded by Vice Chair Klehr.

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

4. Review/Approve Discussion Topics Overall and for January, February, March 2023 Meetings

- January discussion items will include funding admission-free events led by Chair Ritcherson, and parameters for a county-funded \$40,000 a youth in art program, led by Supervisor Xistris-Songpanya.
- The February discussion topic will be engagement of youth in Dane Arts opportunities and events led by Vice Chair Klehr and Commissioner Parks Snider.
- A potential discussion topic for May, is a report on the AEP survey, to be led by Commissioner Miquelon.

A motion was made by Commissioner Curet to approve the Discussion Topics presented, seconded by Commissioner Miquelon.

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

E. Reports to Committee

1. Vacant Positions

Chair Ritcherson and Director Fraire are currently in conversation with two prospective commissioners.

F. Executive Director Report

1. 2023 Calendar and Poster

The poster and calendar event was a success.

2. 2023 Plan

- Revamping and simplifying the grant program*
- Increasing fundraising/donor development, stepping back on programming*
- Reassess Dane Arts activities and further promote selected programming*

G Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next Commission meeting is on Wednesday, January 11th at 8 a.m.

H. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

I. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

J. Adjourn

A motion was made by Commissioner Miquelon to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Augusta Brulla pending Commissioner approval.