



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?

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

8:30 AM

Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at the City County
Building in Room 209; attend virtually via Zoom.

A. Call To Order

Call to order at 8:35 a.m.

Present: Puleo Moyer, Mietzel, King, Yudice, Snow, Klehr

Excused: McKinney, Garrett

Absent: Curet, Fath

Staff: Mark Fraire, Augusta Brulla

Present 6 - MARY KLEHR, Vice Chair FRAN PULEO MOYER, KELSEY YUDICE, AMY MIETZEL, Chair SOFIA SNOW, and JENNIFER KING

Excused 2 - JENNIFER GARRETT, and DESHAWN MCKINNEY

Absent 2 - AMNERIS CURET, and DOUG FATH

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2026
MIN-038](#)

[MINUTES FROM THE 04/14/2026 ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
COMMISSION MEETING]

Attachments: [2026 MIN-038](#)

A motion was made by Klehr to approve the minutes from the April 14th
Commission Meeting.

The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

C. 2026 Cycle 1 Grants Update (Augusta)

Cultural Affairs Specialist Brulla provided an update on 2026 Cycle 1 grant
award distribution.

D. Business of Art Conference Recap (Mark)

Director Fraire shared an overview of the 2026 Business of Art Conference.

E. 50th Anniversary Planning Update (Fran/Mark)

- Puleo Moyer announced that a 50th Anniversary celebration for Dane Arts has been scheduled for Thursday, April 29, 2027 at the Tinsmith.
- The 50th anniversary event will be planned in tandem with the 2027 Business of Art Conference.
- Commissioners are asked to brainstorm ideas for how the commission is represented during the 50th anniversary celebration.

F. 2027 Calendar and Poster Call for Art (Augusta)

The 2027 Calendar and Poster Call for Art is open now through June 8th. The theme is "The Treasures of Dane County," and is also a celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Dane County Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission.

G. Dane Arts Branding Updates (Fran/Mark)

- Updates to the existing Dane Arts logo and tagline were discussed.
- An augmented 50th anniversary logo was discussed for use in 2027.

H. Grant Process Updates (Mark/Augusta)

Next steps for the grant funding structure in 2027 will continue to be discussed by Dane Arts staff and the commission.

I. June Commission Elections

Commissioners who are interested in running for Chair or Vice Chair are welcome to run and shall have another commissioner nominate them during the June Commission meeting.

J. Executive Director's Report

Reference Director Fraire's notes.

K. Future Meeting Items and Dates

1. Events Calendar (Mary)

Commissioners are invited to attend upcoming Dane Arts supported events and sign up using the provided spreadsheet.

2. Next Meeting Date

- The next commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 16 at 8:30 a.m.
- There will be no commission meeting in July.
- Dane Arts will host the Cabaret tent at Le Fete de Marquette in Madison, July 9-12.

L. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

M. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

- A celebration of outgoing commissioners will take place on Friday, May 29th.
- Commissioner King verbally gave her resignation from the Dane Arts Commission effective immediately.

N. Adjourn

A motion was made by Yudice to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Augusta Brulla pending commission approval.