



Milwaukie Arts Committee, 10722 SE Main Street, Milwaukie, OR 97222

Chair: Andrea Adams

Vice-Chair: Maitri Dirmeyer

Secretary: Lars Campbell

Treasurer: Chris Davis

Members: Rebecca Banyas; Denise Emmerling-Baker; Chris Haberman

Staff Liaison: Mitch Nieman

artMOB Draft Minutes
June 15, 2016 | Meeting Start Time: 5:35 p.m.

Present: Andrea Adams, Rebecca Banyas, Denise Emmerling-Baker, Chris Haberman, Chris Davis, Maitri Dirmeyer staff liaison Mitch Nieman, City Councilor Karin Power, and guests Serefine Lillien (Milwaukie resident); Kathleen Tumpane (Geezer Gallery)

Absent: Lars Campbell

Minutes Approval: After introductions, Emmerling-Baker moved to approve the minutes from the May meeting. The motion was seconded by Haberman, and the committee approved the minutes unanimously with Davis abstaining.

WES Treatment Plant Murals: Power reported that the Kellogg Good Neighborhood Committee (KGNC) has prioritized lighting and path repairs for upcoming funding allocations. Banyas asked Power if there's anything artMOB could do to help KGNC get serious about funding a public art project. Further, Banyas and Haberman reminded Power that KGNC could set any budget for public art and members of artMOB could work with it to get something created in a professional manner. Haberman said that he noticed there were two really good sites at the plant where a mural could be created in an affordable manner. Power suggested that artMOB solicit the County to partner. Also, Power inquired about next steps. Banyas offered to make a future presentation to KGNC about types of public art installations done at treatment plants around the state and throughout the country.

July 8 First Friday: The Committee heard a presentation from Kathleen Tumpane of the Geezer Gallery as a precursor to the Alzheimer's Art Show. Nieman reminded the Committee that the deadline for press releases and media information was June 16.

Chinese Art Show: Emmerling-Baker reported that she filmed a follow-up documentary with Willamette Falls Media Center (WFMC) to summarize the success of the exhibit and to put in a public relations plug for artMOB.

Clackamas County Arts Alliance Grant: Nieman reported that he and Adams sent a letter to the Alliance to request a scope change to the City's grant to fund an artist's honorarium for a rotating sculpture installed at Dogwood Park. Emmerling-Baker reported that she attended the June Clackamas County Arts Alliance meeting and that Happy Valley had officially established an arts committee to which the Happy Valley City Council seeded with a \$100,000 budget.

Member Meetings with Chair: Adams reported that she will be reaching out to Members to set up individual meetings within the next two weeks.

Percent for Art Ordinance: Nieman informed the Committee that the draft ordinance was going before Council on June 21 for its first hearing.

Rotating Mural Project: Haberman reported that he received a commitment from Metro to provide materials for the project. Further, he mentioned that he was in process of soliciting donations from NDAs to fund artist stipends. Moreover, Haberman reported that he would be the first artist to exhibit in August (First Friday) in front of Chopsticks. Nieman offered to check in on city code to make sure that exhibiting in that section of the right of way would be permissible.

Grants Update: Members briefly discussed an upcoming Regional Arts and Culture Council (RACC) grant for which the city would be eligible to apply. Dirmeyer reported that she wasn't sure when the Letter of Interest was due and stated that she would look into the due date and report back to the Committee. Members agreed that the top two priorities would be a public art master plan or public art at the new Library. Emmerling-Baker added that Board Members of First Friday offered to be the Committee's 501(c)3 partner on future grants.

Sculpture Garden Call for Proposals: Nieman informed the Committee that he was preparing the annual "call for proposals" for the rotating Sculpture Garden and new Dogwood Park site. The Committee unanimously voted to not have a theme for the upcoming call and to combine the city budgeted allocation for three sculptures (\$3,000) with the Clackamas County Arts Alliance grant (\$750) to provide for an approximate \$900 honorarium for all four artists equally.

Member News: Nieman announced his appointment to RACC. Also, Nieman informed the Committee that he would be polling them via e-mail to cast their nominations and vote on most popular submissions for the City's first community photo contest.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.