



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

Chair: Rebecca Banyas

Vice-Chair: Maitri Dirmeyer

Secretary: Lars Campbell

Treasurer: Kara Busick

Members: Andrea Adams; Lisa Fossen; Denise Emerling-Baker

Staff Liaison: Mitch Nieman

artMOB Draft Minutes
October 21, 2015 | Meeting Start Time: 5:35 p.m.

Present: artMOB members Andrea Adams, Lars Campbell, Rebecca Banyas, Maitri Dimeyer, Denise Emerling-Baker; and staff liaison Mitch Nieman

Absent: Kara Busick, Lisa Fossen

Minutes Approval: After introductions, Rebecca Banyas moved to approve the minutes from September's meeting. Maitri Dirmeyer seconded the motion, and the committee approved the minutes unanimously.

Member Vacancy: Mitch Nieman gave an update to the committee, announcing that Lisa Fossen has decided to step down, leaving the committee with one vacancy. This will be announced in the December pilot, and Andrea Adams is tasked with announcing the vacancy on our social media outlets. The committee has heard that Chris Haberman is interested, and Mitch discovered only a majority of the committee needs to live within the city limits.

Waldorf School Discussion: Rebecca met with representatives of the school about promotion of some of their events on our social media sites. They've requested we promoted their scholars and artists event, and Rebecca thought that wouldn't be an issue with the rest of the committee. Another topic of discussion was their hope to apply a mural to their building. Though it's registered as a historic building, they are planning to look into other materials, such as vinyl, that might be applied instead of directly painting on the wall.

Member Networking Update: Andrea Adams made a connection between Milwaukie Arts Academy and someone who was looking to give away a kiln.

City Hall Lower Lobby Artist Series: The Committee agreed to move the December art opening to Saturday, December 5 from 3:30 to 5 in hopes of having more people nearby with the umbrella parade and tree lighting taking place that day. Denise Emmerling-Baker and Lars Campbell volunteer to connect with former sculpture artists about exhibiting in the December show.

Umbrella Parade: The Umbrella parade organizers have requested that artMOB provides the judging for the event. After some discussion about ways to improve the ability to judge (more time to be able to see all of the umbrellas, especially), Rebecca and Maitri volunteer to be the

judges for the event. Andrea offers to be at city hall for the art opening on that same day during that time period.

artMOB Strategic Plan: The committee has a discussion about each piece of our strategic plan and how we see each member fitting into said plan. One of the main focuses of the discussion was to move toward developing a funding stream from city council for the committee (this could be a percent for art program). Maitri is interested in grant funding, public art policy development, and research projects in general. Lars is interested in the percent for art program, as well as developing some kind of music series in Milwaukie (special projects). Denise is interested in surveying the broader community, exploring new satellite sculpture sites, and business sponsorships for projects. Rebecca is interested in developing the public art policy. Andrea is interested in special projects. This covers most, but not all, of our strategic plan. The committee decided to see how Kara Busick fits into this plan, and how we need to cover any unmet needs.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43pm.