

MINUTES
Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC)
Wednesday, May 22, 2019 Parks and Recreation Office, Lincoln Park

Commissioners Present: Gary Ambrosier, Ron Cloyd, John Cooper, Sarah Dishong, Donna Fullerton, Dean Harris, Kristian Hartter, Matt Janson, Kelley Raymond, Honora Thompson

Others Present: Lorie Gregor, Anna Stout, Naomi Barlow, Helen Lyon

Chair Sarah Dishong called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Gary Ambrosier moved to approve the minutes of the April 24 meeting. Donna Fullerton seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Grand Junction Senior Theatre: Helen Lyon presented her final report on behalf of the Grand Junction Senior Theatre

Super Rad Art Jam: Naomi Barlow presented her final report on behalf of Super Rad Art Jam

Take Photo: A photo was taken of the new Commissioners.

Introductions: Group introduced themselves to Kelley Raymond & Anna Stout, as the new City Council liaison.

OLD BUSINESS

Take Part in Art: Honora, Ron, Donna, Sarah, Lorie & Jeff Moore will be present day of the event. Set up is at 8:00am. Currently there are 18 organizations to take part. Lorie and Honora will plan the marketing of event. Donna will cover social media day of. Lorie will post on all online calendars and have flyer redone.

Grant Adoptions: Grant adoptions were reviewed.

REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Super Rad Art Jam: Honora gave her evaluation of Super Rad Art Jam. Evaluation is attached.

Art in Public Places: Within 2 weeks the committee will have all of the bronze sculptures cleaned and waxed.

Colorado Creative Industries: Sarah gave an update regarding the roll out of the Grand Junction Certified Creative District at the conference. Lorie gave an overview of the conference. Lorie & Sarah will pursue offering a workshop at CCI next year regarding the Art Commission.

The next regular meeting of the GJCAC will be 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, at the Parks and Recreation Office. As there was no further business, Sarah declared the meeting adjourned at 5:40p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Gregor

Organization: Super Rad Art Jam

Name of program: Super Rad High School Art Show

Your name: Honora Thompson

Date of event: April 6-13, 2019

Date you attended: April 13, 2019

Number of people in attendance: Approximately 100

Number of participants: I would estimate 50-75

Describe the event:

The high school show was presented in an empty store at Mesa Mall and had different student-submitted artwork spanning many mediums. Work ranged from pottery, to sketch books, to t-shirt graphic design. I thought the art was high-quality and noticed some similar themes. (Many students submitted self-portraits which ranged from realistic to abstract. There were also many pieces that were of the human heart.) Additional elements that were part of the show included providing refreshments and a live DJ.

What were the strengths of the event?

I felt like this was a true "gallery" opening. I thought the variety of art was great and I liked that many of the pieces were for sale. I think recognizing students with awards is valuable and encouraging. It seemed like the families enjoyed seeing their students' work and students were proud to show it off. The Dave Davis' trophies were beautiful.

What were the weaknesses of the event?

The awards ceremony did not start on time.

What suggestions do you have to improve this event?

I thought it was a great event. Could there be more promotion throughout the mall directing people to the gallery? I felt like unless you specifically planned to go or happened to be in that wing of the mall you wouldn't know it was going on.

The GJCOAC logo was used:

- On their event poster
- The Facebook event (not the logo but it mentioned us)
- The organization's website is linked on our website
- The organization worked with me before, during and after the event