

MINUTES OF THE GRAND JUNCTION COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE-
DECEMBER 22, 1993

The regular meeting of the Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture was held in conference room 'A', Dec. 22, 1993 at 4:00.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Andrews, Brown, Castleberry, Freitas,
Leinaweaver, Sanders and Smedley.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Crumbaker and Hemmerick.

Guests present: Evelyn Kyle, Lyn Dodd, Steve Mandel, Elizabeth
Harris and Bob Jappe.

Minutes of the Nov. meeting were approved as corrected.

We began with a discussion led by Evelyn Kyle of the Avalon Board concerning the Missoula Children's Theatre. The Commission received a letter from the Avalon Board requesting financial assistance of a fee of \$2000.00 which would cover travel and lodging while here. We tabled the discussion until the next meeting.

Elizabeth Harris was here from the Western Colorado Botanical Society. She said the WCBS received a donation from the Lion's Club to build a greenhouse. She said they'd like to become an extension of "Arts on the Corner" and requested support from the Commission on their upcoming proposal (Jan. 6) to the City Council for land on which to build it. Betty moved to formally support the request that the city give the land to the Botanical Society. Richard L. seconded. Motion passed.

Ann Sanders reported on her 'Criteria for Grants' proposal. She sent it to the Colorado Center for Arts and Humanities for assessment. It was returned with suggestions noted. Phil moved that it goes back to committee for redraft. Michael seconded, motion passed.

Committee for Business and the Arts had no report.

Michael reported that 39 people attended the Arts Forum on Dec. 18th. Total cost was \$596.00 plus printing costs. There was discussion of a publication being suggested a number of times during this gathering. There will be a meeting in the Pioneer Room of Mesa National Bank on Jan. 22 including people at the workshop and other interested artists. Michael said he'd report back on it.

Betty moved that we pay for the Art on the Corner and Avalon Theatre mailings the \$585.00 that was requested. Richard seconded. Motion carried.

We reaffirmed that we are going to support Business and the Arts project with \$2500.00 total.

Michael moved that we increase the assistance to Western Colorado Arts Center from \$1000.00 to \$2000.00. Betty seconded. Motion passed.

The final tally of monies allocated include:

\$585.00	- for Avalon/Art mailings
\$2500.00	- for Business and the Arts
\$2000.00	- for Arts Center
\$596.00	- for Arts Forum (plus pending printing costs)

All were approved by the board leaving \$381.00 left. When Betty asked how we deal with the monies left, Sandra said it goes back into the general fund.

Lyn Dodd had a quick report on the Arts Center. They are planning on doing \$60,000.00 worth of work on it - including signage. She thanked the Commission for the financial assistance that was approved. Lyn also said they're increasing their board membership in '94. Michael has attended some of their board meetings.

Sandra brought up our need of a staff person. She thought it would be beneficial to write a letter and see if the City Council Feb. workshop could be scheduled in January instead. Ann added that we need to send a very courteous letter to remind the council that we'd prefer a full-time staff person. Richard suggested that we should word it that if a full-time person is not available, we would certainly appreciate a part-time person. Betty wanted to write to the people in their homes - discussion ensued, and most commissioners disagreed with that tactic for multiple reasons. Michael suggested to enclose a membership list with phone numbers. Betty will be having lunch with Linda Afmann. Sandra said she'd draw up the letter.

Sandra mentioned the membership on the commission will be changing its' personnel. We elect officers in Feb. Betty suggested that we have a nominating committee.

Richard had one other request for the Commission to purchase a book, "Why Business Should Support the Arts; Facts, Figures and Philosophy" 2 copies for \$14.00.

Bob Jappe, an interested member of the community and owner of a marketing agency, was attending wanting to find out more about the Arts Commission. He introduced himself and expressed his interest.

The next meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Wed. Jan.26, 1994.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Paula R. Andrews
Secretary pro-tem