

MINUTES OF THE GRAND JUNCTION COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE  
JUNE 9, 1993

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Chair Sandra Brown at 7:00 on June 9th in City Hall Conference Room 'A'.

Commissioners present: Andrews, Brown, Castleberry, Crumbacher, Freitas, Sanders and Smedley.

Commissioners absent: Hemmerich and Leinaweaver.

Guest: Pat Gormley. Also present: Brian Baine.

Vic moved approval of the minutes of the May 12 meeting. Betty seconded.

REPORTS:

Sandra moved to let P. Gormley bring us an update on the Avalon. He discussed how Rachel, Phil and Sandra and he have rallied to get promotion going on "Frog Prince". He mentioned some lighting equipment has been found, a piano has been donated, and some badly needed stairs have been built. Fundraising procedures are underway. Outcome of the City Council Meeting was \$20,000.00 a year for 5 years. On July 15 or 16 they are going to the State Energy Impact Group to request \$400,000.00. One fundraising possibility is the "selling" of seats in the theatre for \$100.00 each. Ann asked about the 'possibly dangerous' fly-space.....he said they are aware of it and working on it. The City is paying the bills for the "Frog Prince" when Betty asked about funding. Sandra mentioned the intention of the Commission to pay for the stairs. Michael reiterated the purchase of the Avalon being contingent on the Energy Impact Grant. Betty asked whether or not the Avalon has an auxiliary-type group, Pat said they have a list of 140 people who've donated but admitted to not doing a good job of follow-up on this.

Michael moved to formally approve sponsoring the After School Arts Program, Vic seconded. Motion carried.

Phil reported on "Frog Prince".....posters out...Ursula was helping with promotion....free tickets distributed. He still didn't have anyone to take on concessions and to clean the place. The production was coming in well under budget. Sandra mentioned that it wasn't our intention to do all that we're doing and in the future the commission does not want to be involved in the production end of it. Sandra, Ann, Betty, Phil and Paula volunteered to help with tickets and ushering.

Ann reported on Criteria Committee. We all read the guidelines she compiled. Michael had problems with the Requirements for GJAC Support (pg.5) being 501 (c)(3) limiting it from fellowships or individual artists. He wanted to eliminate #1 and #3 under this section. Sandra asked if we could ask the City Attorney about revising this. Michael moved to delete this page and revise it. Paula seconded. Motion failed. There was 1 abstention. Vic moved that we delete the top half of the GJAC page and eliminate #2,#3,#5 and #6 from what GJAC does NOT fund and Michael seconded. Motion carried. Sandra moved that we ask City Council if they have any legal requirements or special conditions and Betty seconded. Motion carried. Phil made a motion that we add the words sexual preference to the #2 Civil Rights under Special Conditions (pg.6), Vic seconded. Motion carried. Betty moved that we adopt this draft of these Criteria for Grants pending City approval. Michael seconded. Motion carried.

Betty reported on her Roundtable letter draft but wanted to scrap it in favor of having an invitation of other cities' community arts members to come here and meet with a panel and give us their

input and advice. Ann suggested using the idea of us exploring getting a paid position started up to generate interest. Sandra and Ann suggested getting someone from the National Endowments of the Arts to speak at this meeting. Betty will work on dates.

Next topic was the Preliminary Budget. We looked at the printout Sandra provided and looked at the draft from Michael. Michael said he would clarify numbers for us. Ann moved that we accept the draft and Betty seconded. Motion carried.

Betty moved that the regular meeting of the commission be moved to the 4th Wednesday of each month starting July 1993. Paula seconded, motion carried.

Michael said that he's still working on contract staff. Betty moved that we have a committee of 3 to interview applicants for and hire the assistant to the council. Vic seconded, motion carried. The committee is Michael, Sandra and Betty (or Richard). They are setting up the time to tentatively be June 16th. Brian Baine showed some interest in this position.

The Arts Incubator was brought up briefly.

Betty moved to adjourn, Ann seconded.

Next meeting on July 28, 1993.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Andrews