#### **MINUTES**

# Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC) Wednesday, November 19, 2014, Hospitality Suite, Lincoln Park

Commissioners Present: Laura Bradley, Gisela Flanigan, Jeremy Franklin, Marjorie Haun, Lancer Livermont,

Deanna Pickman, Emily Pfeifer, Miranda Ashman, Jennifer Hancock

**Commissioners Absent**: Darcy Johnson

Others Present: Lorie Gregor

Chair Lancer Livermont called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Jeremy moved to approve the minutes of the October 22 meeting with the following changes: Sean Flanigan, Professor of Music Industry and replacing Emily with Jennifer on the Intern Interview Committee; Gisela seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

**Grant Reports:** Ed Arnos, Messiah Choral Society of GJ. The 10<sup>th</sup> annual event was held 4/20/14. Choral singers are volunteers. Ed gave an overview of the organization. It has more energy, 16 member board, an endowment fund of \$14,500 and 90 singers. They performed flash mob events at Mesa Mall. They advertised on an electronic billboard on I70B/Grand. There were 150 attendees at the Easter event.

Camille Silverman, Executive Director of The Art Center. They held14 lectures with an average attendance of 40. Topics included music, sculpture, installations, painting, dance, photography, and ceramics. Guest artists were paid anywhere from \$100 - \$1270. She shared photos of events.

Cassa Fox, Western Colorado Chorale. She shared "She Loves Me Like A Rock" from WCC performance. Cassa reported that their attendance doubled and so did their income. She cited problems getting students to attend as their performance fell at the end of fall break. There were only 3 kids from FMHS who attended the lecture.

### **2015 Grant Process:**

Lorie reviewed the time frames for the 2015 grant process.

| 12-1-14  | Grant Opens                |                |                              |
|----------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| 12-16-14 | Grant Workshop             | 1-2pm          | Parks and Rec Office         |
| 1-14-15  | Grant Workshop             | 4-5pm          | Parks and Rec Office         |
| 2-5-15   | Grant Closes               |                |                              |
| 2-9-15   | Grant Pick up from of      | fice           |                              |
| 2-16-15  | Questions due from GJCAC   |                |                              |
| 2/-17-15 | Questions sent out to o    | organizations  |                              |
| 2-20-15  | Questions due from or      | ganizations by | 10:00am & delivered to GJCAC |
| 2-23-15  | <b>Grant Presentations</b> | *4-?pm         | Hospitality Suite            |
| 2-24-15  | <b>Grant Presentations</b> | *4-?pm         | Hospitality Suite            |
| 2-25-15  | GJACM Meeting              | 4-6:30pm       | Hospitality Suite            |
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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**GJCAC Internship:** Lorie reported that there was little response from the high schools approached. She will reach out to WCCC & CMU. The position will be fashioned as a volunteer/internship opportunity.

**Strategic Plan Review Committee:** Jennifer and Lancer reported on the Committee's meeting with Allison Sarmo. Committee will meet in the new year to schedule timeline and next steps. Discussion on options for professional facilitator for community-wide meeting (Tim Sarno, Eileen Rogensack).

**Champion of the Arts:** Commission reviewed nominees for Individual and Business/Organization awards; Karen Combs and Shear Inc. were chosen to receive the 2014 Champion of the Arts Awards, to

be presented at City Council on Wednesday, January 21, 2015. The Commission then chose art pieces from submitted works to present to the Awards recipients. Chosen were: *Victory* by Pavia Justinian and *Poppies Three* by Lynn Pavelka.

## **REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Western CO Chorale – Jeremy: Jeremy reported on the Western CO Chorale grant event(s). Expressed concerns over clarity in marketing (specifically with the lecture that was supposed to be open to all local music students), communication with the Chorale, and that the concert was too conceptual and too long.

The Art Center – Gisela: Gisela reported favorably on The Art Center grant event(s).

The next regular meeting of the GJCAC will at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 28, 2015, at the Parks and Recreation Office. As there was no further business, Lancer declared the meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Gregor/Jennifer Hancock