

GRAND JUNCTION COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE
MINUTES

Thursday, March 29, 1996

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Karen Kiefer
Jeanne Killgore
Peter Ivanov
Richard Leinaweaver
Phil Rogers
Ann Sanders

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: Ursula Hemmerich and Janet Terry.

OTHERS PRESENT: Lyn Dodd (GJ Symphony) and Allison Sarmo, Coordinator.

A special meeting of the Commission on Arts and Culture was held on the above date to complete the business of the regular meeting March 28, 1996. Chair Karen Kiefer called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

The Commission reviewed the nineteen applications for funding of local art and cultural events, projects, and programs and took a straw vote on each one signifying "yes" (the proposed event or project met the necessary goals, objectives, criteria, and requirements and should receive funding), "no" (the application did not meet the criteria and should not receive funding), or "maybe" (the application met some of the criteria and might receive funding). After further discussion of all projects receiving primarily "no" votes, five projects were eliminated from consideration.

The need to delineate City monies from money donated from other sources (Public Service Company and Colorado Council on the Arts) to these projects was noted. The completeness of the applications was addressed, as well as the viability, strengths, and weaknesses of each proposed project or program. The projects receiving primarily "maybe" votes were then discussed and it was decided to fund all of these in greatly reduced amounts. The consensus of the Commission was to allocate some funding to all eligible and worthwhile projects, but to include some restrictions, such as providing written proof of scheduled events, prior to releasing the money. Sarmo also noted that every organization receiving funding must execute a contract with the Commission/City stating they will use the funds only as specified in their application. The projects receiving primarily "yes" votes were then discussed and after much consideration, funding amounts for each were determined.

Leinaweaver moved, and Rogers seconded, that the Commission recommend to the City Council that the following art and cultural events, projects, and programs be given financial support in the following amounts, totaling \$10,000 in City funding as approved in the 1996 budget, plus \$3000 in Public Service Company *Arts With Energy* funding and \$1000 in Colorado Council on the Arts funding:

(With \$10,000 in City funds):

GJ Musical Arts Association Annual Symphony Children's Concert	\$2,000
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Western Colorado Center for the Arts	May Art Week for Elementary Children	\$2,000
Museum of Western Colorado	Cowboy Poetry Gathering/Workshops	\$1,500
Art Experiences for Children	“Artists in Residence” School Programs	\$1,200
Family Empowerment Center	Su Teatro Performance/Workshop	\$1,000
DooZoo Children’s Museum	Family Theater Company Productions	\$ 900
Riverside Task Force	Fun in the Summer Arts & Craft Classes	\$ 500
Western Colorado Chorale	Orchestra & Choral Concert by Haydn	\$ 500
Altrusa International Club	Visual Arts Workshop/Slide Presentation	\$ 350
Colorado West Performing Arts	School Tour of Dance History	\$ 50
(Dance tour funded mainly through PSCo.’s <i>Art With Energy</i>)		
Performing Arts Conservatory		Theater Coalition
Festival in Steamboat Springs	\$0	
Orchard Mesa Beautification Council	Decorative Iron Fence/two Pine Benches	0
National Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse/Youth Network	Arts in the Park Festival	0
Colorado West Performing Arts Center	Costumes for “Giselle” Ballet Performance	0
Clifton Elementary School	Tickets for GJ Symphony/Community Concerts	0

(With Public Service Company's *Arts With Energy* and Colorado Council on the Arts funds):

Performing Arts Conservatory		School Tour of “Alex
in Numberland” Play	\$1,000	
Monument Arts Institute	School Tour of Chamber Music Workshops	\$1,000
Mesa County School District 51		Art Heritage
Program/Elementary Art History	\$ 800	
Colorado West Performing Arts		School Tour of
Dance History Demonstrations	\$ 725	
Mt. Garfield Middle School	Bronze Mascot Sculpture/Mural/Workshop	\$ 475

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Cowan Sarmo
Cultural Arts Coordinator