CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE MINUTES

February 26, 1997

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	LeRoy Donegan	Bill Reidy
	Ursula Hemmerich	Phil Rogers
	Karen Kiefer	Priscilla Rupp
	Jeanne Killgore	Bill Whaley
	Peter Ivanov	
OTHERS PRESENT: (See paragr	aph 2 below for list.)	

The regular meeting of the Commission on Arts and Culture was held at 4:00 p.m. on the above date. Chair Kiefer called the meeting to order. Sarmo noted one change in the order of presentations on the meeting agenda and the chair declared the agenda approved as amended. Whaley moved, and Rogers seconded, that the minutes of the previous meeting on January 22, 1997, be approved as written and mailed. The motion carried unanimously.

SUPPORT FOR ARTS EVENTS/PROJECTS/PROGRAMS: The following organizations, schools, and individuals appeared before the Commission (listed in order of appearance) to make brief presentations and answer questions in conjunction with their applications for funding of arts and cultural events/projects/programs throughout 1997:

GJ Musical Arts Association - Music in the Schools - Naomi Shepherd (\$3937) Taylor Elementary - "Hands On" After School Art Classes - Diana Robertson (\$400) Clifton Elementary - Winter Art Festival - Judi Parker and Karla Dodson (\$3000) Western Colorado Center for the Arts - May Art Week - Joyce Patton (\$2512) GJ Senior Theatre - Senior Follies '97 - Quentin Jones (\$4000) Brush and Palette Club - 50th Annual Brush and Palette Show - Penny Creasy (\$1500) Mt Garfield Chapter of D.A.R. - The Spirit of Pioneer Women" - Katherine Nelson and Earl Heusser (\$1500) Celtic Society - 2nd Annual Celtic Festival & Highland Games - Sharon Gordon and Gussie Kendall (\$2000) Grand Valley Community Theater - "A Christmas Carol" - Greg Mikolai (\$2000) Marsha Thomas Chamber Music Festival - Kelley Caldwell (\$1000) Columbus Elementary - Performing Arts Spring Festival - Pirie Smith (\$1400) Columbine Elementary - Bronze Statue Project - Sandy Cruz (\$3000) Mt Garfield Middle School Outdoor Classroom - Ruins Mesa Village - Steven Rocha (\$3600) School District 51/Art Experiences for Children Partnership - Linda Skinner (\$6000) Advocates for Children's Enrichment - Creed Repertory Theater Show - Linda Skinner (\$400) Valley wide PTA - "Reflections" Program and Show - Mary Krasnow (\$500) Broadway Elementary - "The Sound of Music" Annual Musical - Harry Easton (\$2100) Performing Arts Conservatory - "Anne of Green Gables" - Rachel Fortner (\$2000) Museum of Western Colorado - Grand River Indian Artists Gathering - Christine Leusch (\$2500) Wingate Elementary - Tiles for the Masses Workshops - Margo Bryan-Petersen (\$687) Lincoln Park Elementary - Cultural Art Cluster Classes - Susan Foster (\$500) Fruita Monument HS - Construction of Theatre Dressing Room - drama student (\$500) School District Career Center - Nurture Native American Art - Patty Doss (\$896) (No representative was present to present the application from the Doo Zoo Children's Museum - Family

Theatre School Outreach (\$3000).)

REPORTS: The Cultural Arts Coordinator distributed the final 1996 Financial Report showing total revenues and expenses for the year.

NEW BUSINESS: A letter was read from Mt. Garfield Middle School (Sixth Grade Annex) requesting an amendment to their contract with the Commission, executed in 1996, in which the Commission granted the school funding of \$475 for a bronze mascot sculpture and gymnasium mural. The mural has been completed but the

sculpture has not, and because the sixth grade building will no longer be part of Mt. Garfield Middle School after May, 1998 due to plans for a new addition following passage of the school bond issue, the school asked that they be allowed to apply the remaining \$375 in Commission monies toward a sculpture being done at the main school building. Killgore moved, and Ivanov seconded, that the contract with Mt. Garfield Middle School be amended to approve their request. The motion carried unanimously.

A letter was read from Joe Higgins, Director of Partners, thanking the Commission for funding 100 tickets to the Missoula Children's Theater production in January for Partners children.

SUPPORT FOR ARTS EVENTS/PROJECTS/PROGRAMS: The Commission discussed the various applications for funding at length and after several informal votes and much input, Rogers moved, and Whaley seconded, that the Commission make the following recommendations for funding to the City Council, as well as allocations of funds provided by Colorado Council on the Arts and Public Service Company:

APPLICANT	EVENT/PROJECT/PROGRAM	(REQUEST)
RECOMMENDATION			
Museum of Western Colorado	2nd Annual Grand River Indian Artist Gathering (\$2500	\$2,00	0
Western Colorado Center for the Arts	May Art Week for Elementary Schools (\$2512)	2,000	
Celtic Society (Western Slope of Colo)	2nd Annual Celtic Festival/Highland Games (\$2000)	2,000	
GJ Musical Arts Assoc/GJ Symphony	Music Programs in the Schools (\$3937)		1,000
Performing Arts Conservatory	"Anne of Green Gables" Musical (\$2000)	1,000	
Brush and Palette Club 50th	Anniversary Brush & Palette Art Exhibit (\$1500)	1,000	
Grand Valley Community Theatre	2nd Annual "A Christmas Carol" Production (\$2000)	500	
Marsha Thomas Chamber Music Festiv	al 2nd Annual Chamber Music Festival (\$1000)	500	
Valley Wide PTA	Annual "Reflections" Student Art Exhibit (\$500)		300
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Events/projects/programs not recommended for funding for various reasons listed in parentheses:

GJ Senior Theatre - 2nd Annual Senior Follies (\$4000) (More than adequately funded without City support) Doo Zoo Children's Museum - Family Theatre Company School Outreach Programs (\$3000)

(Proposal did not appear organized/viable/feasible; could be funded through School District's allocation) Columbine Elementary - Bronze Statue Purchase/Class (\$3000) (Unable to fund at level necessary to accomplish) Fruita Monument High School - Construction of Theater Dressing Room (\$500)

(Not sufficiently arts education oriented; better ways to accomplish the project exist)

- Mt. Garfield Middle School Outdoor Classroom Construction of Ruins Mesa Indian Village (\$3,600) (Not sufficiently arts education oriented; unable to fund at level necessary to accomplish)
- Mt. Garfield Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution "The Spirit of Pioneer Women" Statue Purchase (\$1500) (Would be more appropriately funded through City 1% for the Arts program)

Events/projects/programs to be funded with a \$4,000 grant from Colorado Council on the Arts:

Valley Wide PTA (see above list also) Advocates for Children's Enrichment	Annual "Reflections" Student Art Exhibit (\$500) Creede Repertory Theatre Play for Schools/Public (\$4	\$ 200 00) 400	
Broadway Elementary	"Sound of Music" Annual School Musical (\$2100)	500	
Clifton Elementary	Winter Art Festival and Art Classes (\$3000)	500	
Columbus Elementary	Performing Arts Spring Festival (\$1400)	500	
Lincoln Park Elementary	Cultural Arts Cluster Classes (\$500)	500	
School District Career Center	Nurture Native American Art Thru Nature Classes (\$8	96) 500	
Taylor Elementary	"Hands-On" After School Art Classes (\$400)	400	
Wingate Elementary	"Tiles for the Masses" Workshops (\$687)	500	

Events/projects/programs to be funded with a \$3,000 donation from Public Service Company's *Arts With Energy* program given to Commission specifically for arts education in the schools:

School District 51/Art Experiences for Children Partnership - Arts Education (\$6000) \$3,000 The motion carried unanimously.

As there was no further business to come before the Commission, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Cowan Sarmo Cultural Arts Coordinator