

Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture
Minutes
October 24, 2001

Commissioners Present: Pamela Blythe Priscilla Mangnall
Doug Clary Joan Meyers
Bill Whaley

Commissioners Absent: LeRoy Donegan, Peter Ivanov, Janet Prell

The regular meeting of the Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture was held on the above date. Vice-chair Priscilla Mangnall called the meeting to order at 4:00PM. A motion was made by Mangnall, seconded by Joan Meyers, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on September 26, 2001. The motion carried unanimously.

GRAND JUNCTION STRATEGIC CULTURAL PLAN: The Commission extensively reviewed and revised the 12 page draft cultural plan goals, strategies, and action steps. Eight recommendations were reworded and four more action steps added. After much discussion a motion was made by Bill Whaley, seconded by Joan Meyers, to approve the *Grand Junction Strategic Cultural Plan* as amended. The motion carried unanimously. The Commission will present the cultural plan to City Council for approval.

COMMISSION VACANCY: The Commission reviewed four applicants to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Seth Brown, until February, 2004. After careful consideration, and noting that at least two more vacancies will soon need to be filled next February, a motion was made by Whaley, seconded by Blythe, to recommend that the City Council appoint Gordon Rhoades to the Arts Commission. The motion carried unanimously. [NOTE: Because Resolution #44-89 says "No member of the Commission shall be a member or a spouse of a member of the governing board or employee of any local arts organization" this recommendation was discussed with the City Clerk but not sent to Council.]

REPORTS: The Cultural Arts Coordinator's report for October was distributed and reviewed. The Coordinator noted that David Berry's sculpture "Traffic Jamb" for the traffic engineering building has been installed by the Parks crew, and that negotiations continue between Project Engineer Jim Shanks, Parks Planner Shawn Cooper, sculptor Ivan Kosta, and engineer Harold Linke for "The Song of Two Rivers."

ARTS EXPO: Commission members signed up for various times to staff the admission table and Commission booth during the event, Whaley and Clary will pick up the sound equipment, Whaley and Sarmo will do an interview on KAFM radio, and the Coordinator will contact Ivanov and Prell about additional assignments. Purchasing tee-shirts or sweatshirts was briefly discussed. Arrangements have been made for the Business in the Arts Awards presentation and invitations mailed to artists, arts organizations, nominees, and nominators. The Coordinator is writing/designing the Nov. 1st two-page newspaper advertisement, a small newspaper ad, programs, posters of performances, signs, handouts, litter bags, and compiling a list of volunteer staffers and performers to be admitted at no charge.

Mangnall discussed the up-coming KAFM Grand Valley Public Radio live art and antiques auction. As there was no further business to come before the Commission, the Vice-chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Cowan Sarmo
Cultural Arts Coordinator