## MINUTES

# Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC) Wednesday, August 24, 2016 Parks and Recreation Office, Lincoln Park

**Commissioners Present**: Thea Arandjelovic , Gary Ambrosier, Betsy Brodak, Betsey Dick, Jennifer Hancock, Marjorie Haun, Darcy Johnson, Lancer Livermont, Roseann Lyle, and Mary Olkowski

#### **Commissioners Absent**: Laura Bradley

Others Present: Lorie Gregor, Bennet Boeschenstein

Chair Darcy Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Gary Ambrosier moved to approve the minutes of the July 27 meeting as is. Lancer Livermont seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Welcome to newly appointed Art Commissioner Roseann Lyle! Roseann is filling Jeremy Franklin's open position.

**Bylaws review:** Bylaws were reviewed and changes discussed. Jennifer Hancock will compile a draft to be approved at the next regular meeting and be forwarded as a recommendation to City Council.

**Governor's Conference on Tourism:** Lorie will request information from the past conference to reference how art was incorporated, to assist in planning for art at the Oct 25-27, 2017 conference.

**Grant Submission for 2017:** The Parks and Recreation Department has amended their recommendation for the 2017 Art Grant program to \$30,000 due to budget constraints.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Events Calendar: Lorie passed around the current schedule of events for the economic impact survey.

**Cultural Plan:** The Education Committee's goals will be confirmed in two weeks. Jennifer will schedule a sub-committee meeting to begin compiling the information from subgroups. Final steps include a final gathering of all involved in the process, the published report, emailed report, a formal presentation to City Council and Art Commission members to get on agenda of community groups. Ideas for sites for gathering include Lincoln Park Barn, Hospitality Suite, and the Library Community Room.

#### **REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**<u>aRT</u>**: Press releases have been sent out regarding the aRT program and that the program is accepting applications. Deadline for artists is Sept. 26. Murals will be painted on October 15. The Downtown Art Festival has been moved to Oct 7-8.

**Economic Impact Study:** The Art Commission will divide the list of non-responsive organizations and encourage them to fill out the online survey.

**GalleryOne Grant Award:** The Avalon board and the City of Grand Junction have accepted the GalleryOne grant award for the hanging system. Lorie will contact the company to determine what the \$500 grant will cover and meet with the directors to determine placement of system.

**Education Committee:** Betsy approved the flyer and Lorie will disseminate to the group. Jennifer will reach out to her contacts. Locations for flyer placement: Botanical Gardens, Movie Theatre – Gary, Spin City – Roseann, Bowling Alleys, Bananas, Game Stores, Kids Plex, Library, Coffee Shops, Lithic Books, bookstores, schools. The measure of success will determine the continuation of this program.

**Grant Coalition:** Lancer reported that the group is organizing another meeting and their focus is to speak to the impact the grant program has had on organizations in the community at City Council meetings. The Western Colorado Community Foundation is providing grants ranging in \$400 - \$2500 to nonprofits providing arts and cultural programming in Mesa County this year. Deadline is October 3, 2016.

The next regular meeting of the GJCAC will be 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 28, at the Parks and Recreation Office. As there was no further business, Darcy declared the meeting adjourned at 5:40p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Gregor