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Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC)
Wednesday, September 28, 2016 Parks and Recreation Office, Lincoln Park

Commissioners Present: Thea Arandjelovic , Gary Ambrosier, Laura Bradley, Betsy Brodak, Betsey Dick, Darcy Johnson, Lancer Livermont, Roseann Lyle, and Mary Olkowski

Commissioners Absent: Jennifer Hancock, Marjorie Haun

Others Present: Lorie Gregor, Bennet Boeschenstein

Chair Darcy Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Roseanne Lyle moved to approve the minutes of the [Aug. 24](#) meeting as is. Gary Ambrosier seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Champion of the Arts: This subcommittee met prior to the regular meeting. Discussion and brainstorming ensued regarding rebranding this project. It was decided that the process is solid, possibly needs a name change, and the addition of a more public venue after the Council presentation. We will target market to organizations that have big underwriters for their events. The subcommittee will continue working on it.

OLD BUSINESS

Avalon Theatre: Lorie has ordered the system and the walls for installation have been identified. Exhibits will be quarterly and follow the City Hall schedule. A press release was shared on Facebook from Gallery One Systems regarding the receipt of the grant for the hanging system.

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

Approval of Bylaws: The final version was distributed and a vote was tabled to allow members to review.

Governor's Conference on Tourism: Lorie shared how art was incorporated in the 2016 conference. Ideas for 2017 include tours of downtown and the Avalon, aRT, performing arts performances during breaks. Opening reception demos and a panel discussion on the use of public art in tourism. A subcommittee was formed: Betsy B., Darcy, Roseann and Lorie. Lorie will make contact with the planning committee of the conference via Barbara Bowman.

Cultural Plan: In lieu of Jennifer's absence, Lancer stated that a draft of the plan was created and that Jennifer wanted to send it back to the subgroups for formatting. Darcy has offered to take on more of a role in helping to move the plan forward.

REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

aRT: Five mural artists have been chosen to paint murals on Oct. 15. Three are pending submittal of a sketch. 14 locations have been approved. One mural already painted will stay. The Hispanic Heritage mural will be commissioned and revealed on Oct. 15.

Economic Impact Study: Very few organizations have finished their survey. The deadline is Friday, Sept. 30. After that date, AA will send a one-page version to nonresponsive organizations. The Commission will then divide and call organizations.

Education Committee: Lorie dispersed the remaining fliers to the group and they will take to their designated locations.

Grant Coalition: The group will meet at Botanical Gardens the 1st Tuesday of the month at 4:00pm. It was decided to send a thank you card to The Western Colorado Community Foundation for providing arts and cultural grants as a stop gap.

Sun Dial Donation: A sun dial was donated to the public art collection by Joe Burleigh and installed at Las Colonias. A press release was written and KKCO did a story on it.

Bennet Boeschstein invited the Commission to come on his talk show at KAFM anytime.

The next regular meeting of the GJCAC will be 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 26, at the Parks and Recreation Office. As there was no further business, Darcy declared the meeting adjourned at 5:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Lorie Gregor