

Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture  
Minutes  
March 28, 2012

Commissioners Present: Gisela Flanigan  
Charity Finnigsmier  
Lancer Livermont  
Diane Kress Hower

Commissioners Absent: Randall Cupp, Jephtha Sheene

Others Present: Debbie Kavolic, Lorie Gregor

The regular meeting of the Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture was held on the above date. Chair Gisela Flanigan called the meeting to order at 4:08pm. A motion was made by Diane, seconded by Lancer, to approve the minutes of the Commission's meeting on February 22, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There was a discussion regarding the restrictions regarding who could apply to the Art Commission. Lorie Gregor will draft a letter to City Council recommending the restriction be lifted regarding persons serving on boards and or spouses that serve on boards.

#### **ADOPT A GRANT PROGRAM**

A listing of the grants was reviewed, and those present chose the events that are occurring within the next two months to adopt. The rest of the projects will be chosen in the next two months.

#### **BOARD VACANCIES**

Lorie Gregor shared that currently there are six vacant positions. City Council will choose the applicants at their next meeting on April 4, 2012. New members will be introduced at the next Art Commission meeting on April 25.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY 1%**

Lorie Gregor gave an update on the Call for Artists for the Public Safety project. The timeline has been pushed back for completion of the Police Building to August.

#### **REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Two Rivers Convention Center Exhibit: An abstract exhibit was hung 3/31/12 at Two Rivers and will be up for six months. Lancer Livermont, Diane Kress Hower, Gisela Flannigan and Lorie helped hang.

City Hall Exhibit: Artwork will be hung on April 3 and a reception held on April 6, 5:30 - 7:00pm. Diane and Lancer will help hang and Gisela Flannigan and Diane are helping with the reception.

#### Education Committee

Lorie had a meeting with Connie Robbins-Brady to discuss the ideas for celebrating National Arts and Humanities month with the school children. Connie stated that the school district only supports two projects district wide: Bank of Colorado Calendar Contest and the Alpine Bank Christmas Card contest. She is willing to email blast her volunteers in August about the project. Teachers could choose to participate in our contest "What art means to me" but the district won't sponsor it. Gisela offered to talk to Greg Mikolai, school board president about our options.

#### Other:

Deb Kavolic of the Visitors Convention Bureau gave an update on the Avalon Theatre. Starting in October the east side addition will begin and is set for completion in September 2013. The Downtown Development Authority donated three million to improve the public spaces and get them ADA accessible. The goal is to have a Performing Arts complex for all groups to utilize.

Next meeting will be on April 25 at 4:00 p.m.

As there was no further business to come before the Commission, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Gregor  
Recreation Coordinator