

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF THE

ARTS ADVISORY BOARD

June 12, 2023

**THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF DENTON §**

Due to scheduling issues, the agenda was not followed in complete numerical order.

Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

(Agenda Item 1)

Chairperson Sarah Hicks called a quorum at 5:33 p.m. Attendees were Board members Jennifer Austin, Michael Gortz, Eric Bowman, Jennifer Linde, Nicole Franczvai, and Christi Martin. Also in attendance were Arts Center Manager Denise Helbing, Arts Administration Assistant Shannon Fernandez, and Administrative Assistant Konni Cooper.

Review and Approve the Minutes of the May 16, 2023 Meeting

(Agenda Item 2)

Board members reviewed the minutes of the May 16, 2023 Arts Advisory Board meeting. The board wants to add that there were two submissions for the public art project in Item 6, although one was not considered because it did not meet the artist call specifications.

MOTION: Jennifer Austin a motion to accept the minutes of the May 16, 2023 meeting, with the addition of the second submission in Item 6. The motion was seconded by Eric Bowman and passed unanimously.

**Review Artist Microgrant Application-
Lauren Luong-Life is a Theater-From
Shame to Grace Performance**

(Agenda Item 3)

Lauren Luong addressed the board, explaining her motivation for the artist performance by SODA (Society of Depressed Artists)/Life is a Theater. She explained her vision for the performance and answered board questions. The board discussed the application and agreed to award the grant to Ms Luong.

MOTION: Nicole Franczvai made a motion to award the microgrant to Lauren Luong. The motion was seconded by Jennifer Linde and passed unanimously.

**Update on Chin Community
Sculpture/Madeline Wiener Project**

(Agenda Item 4)

Madeline Weiner has sustained an injury that may delay the completion of the sculpture. The tentative new date for completion is in September. Three benches will accompany the sculpture, but only one textile pattern will be utilized on all three. Denise Helbing has been in contact with a member of the Chin community who has volunteered to plan the reception when the artwork is unveiled.

**Member Reports on Attendance to Any Grant-
Funded Programs**

(Agenda Item 5)

Michael Gortz and Jennifer Linde attended the *Texas, Our Texas* performance by the Lewisville Civic Chorale. Denise Helbing and Sarah Hicks attended a performance of *Godspell* by the Christian Youth Theatre of DFW.

**Staff Report-Programming, Public Art, Other
Updates**

(Agenda Item 6)

Denise Helbing went over her staff report and answered questions.

**Finalist Interview for *We Are
Lewisville* Public Art Project-**

(Agenda Item 7)

The artist Christopher Vernale attended the meeting virtually, as did Kristen Grambling, from Serve Lewisville. Mr. Vernale presented several ideas for the final project, which will be located in the Serve Lewisville building lobby. He answered questions from the board, who then discussed his application and submissions.

MOTION: Jennifer Austin made a motion to accept the submission by Christopher Vernale. Michael Gortz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Discussion with Todd Bressi,
Including Progress Report for
Public Art Master Plan Update,
Possibly Adjust the August
Meeting Date**

(Agenda Item 8)

Todd Bressi attended the meeting virtually. He presented a slide presentation showing the results of various surveys administered during his previous visit to Lewisville. The survey results will inform the board's decisions about public art going forward. No action was necessary.

Adjournment

(Agenda Item 9)

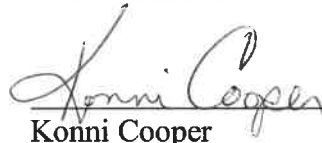
MOTION: Eric Bowman made a motion to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. The motion was seconded by Nicole Franczvai and carried unanimously.

APPROVED:



Sarah Hicks, Chairperson

PREPARED BY:



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