

MERIDIAN ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

City Council Chambers, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 4:04 PM

MINUTES

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

xLizzie TaylorxPatrick O'LearyxJessica Peters, Vice ChairxJenifer Cavaness-WilliamsxNatalie SchofieldxThomas VannuccixBonnie Zahn Griffith, ChairxRaeya WardlexBobby Gaytan

City staff present were Arts and Culture Coordinator, Cassandra Schiffler; Recreation Manager, Garrett White; and City Attorney, Emily Kane.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

B. Griffith called the meeting to order at 4:03PM due to technical difficulties. J. Peters made motion to adopt agenda; seconded by J. Cavaness-Williams

All ayes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES [ACTION ITEM]

1. Approve: Meeting Minutes from May 12, 2022

L. Taylor made motion to approve minutes; seconded by J. Cavaness-Williams All ayes

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS [ACTION ITEM]

2. Approve: Financial Statement

J. Peters made motion to approve monthly financial statements; seconded by N. Schofield

All ayes

REPORTS [ACTION ITEM]

3. Arts and Culture Coordinator Report: Mural project updates for unBound and Pool locations; 3 Call to Artists: Initial Point Gallery Display in 2023, Five Mile Creek Pathway Trailhub RFQ, Youth Apprenticeship at Tully Skatepark; SPARK application for Smithsonian exhibit at IPG; Internship, ~ Cassandra Schiffler, Arts and Culture Coordinator

- C. Schiffler stated WARD's meeting is not until August so an update on the Pool mural will be provided at a later date.
- C. Schiffler stated the Initial Point Gallery call closed with eighteen applications from individuals and six organizational show applications to review.
- C. Schiffler stated the Five Mile Creek Pathway Trailhub call closed with thirty-two eligible applications from local, national and international applicants to review, which is more than Meridian has ever had.
- C. Schiffler stated the Tully Skatepark Youth Apprenticeship call will remain open until June 15, 2022, and was distributed to all West Ada School District Art Teachers. C. Schiffler stated at this time there is only one applicant.
- C. Schiffler confirmed the SPARK application was submitted with the assistance of Commissioner O'Leary and that the Commission should hear about the required scheduled site visit at the end of June.
- C. Schiffler confirmed there are seven applicants for the internship opportunity and interviews will be conducted later this month.
- **4. Update: Public Art Committee:** MAPS Logo and Traffic Box Artwork Selection ~ *Bobby Gaytan, Public Art Committee Chair*
 - B. Gaytan stated the Subcommittee has a recommendation for the final MAPS logo for the Commission to review and approve at a future Commission meeting.
 - B. Gaytan stated the Subcommittee selected five traffic box images from the repository as seen in the meeting packet for the Commission to review and approve today.
- **5. Update: Initial Point Gallery:** Current Exhibit: "Seasons" Rachel Teannalach, David English, Ryan Wise, Lisa Bowers, Leslie Jay Bosch, *Gallery Host: Natalie Schofield*; Upcoming Exhibit: Kathi Hozer, Amy Larsen, Josh Udesen, Lyn Fraley, *Gallery Host: Tom Vannucci*
 - N. Schofield stated a new exhibit opened this past Friday with thirty to forty people in attendance at the opening reception. N. Schofield stated the Initial Point Gallery subcommittee will be meeting to review applicants and jury for 2023 in their next meeting.
- **6. Update: Events and Outreach Subcommittee:** Art Week, Concerts on Broadway ~ *Jenifer Cavaness-Williams, Events and Outreach representative*
 - J. Cavaness-Williams stated a former MAC Commissioner and previous planner for Art Week, Michelle Glaze, joined the meeting to assist the Subcommittee with brainstorming event ideas. J. Cavaness stated M. Glase volunteered to reach out to instructors, proposed musicians, and businesses to schedule and coordinate events for Art Week.
 - J. Cavaness-Williams stated the Art Week budget was reviewed and there will be unused funds so the Subcommittee is proposing using these funds for two to three small-scale community-led art projects with budgets of \$300 to \$800 each that community members can propose through an RFP process.
 - J. Cavaness-Williams stated the Concerts on Broadway musicians are booked, audio

contracts are in place, and opening acts have been contacted.

NEW BUSINESS [ACTION ITEMS]

7. Review and Make Recommendation: Key Detail Mural Final Design for unBound Library ~ *Nick Grove, Assistant Director, Meridian Library District*

Nick Grove was welcomed to make a statement. He stated that the library is excited to work with the City and the artists on this mural at the unBound location. He commended the work and the process, and the library's commitment to improve the arts scene in downtown Meridian. He likes that this projects highlights what the unBound branch does.

C. Schiffler made comments about the design and how the artists responded to the technology and small business focus of the library with the artist's use of technology, books, robots, a 3D printer, and the state bird. She also stated that the artists were great to work with on the process and were very responsive to feedback.

N. Schofield made motion to approve the Key Detail mural final design for the unBound Library; seconded by J. Peters

All ayes

8. Review and Make Recommendation: Artworks from 2021-2023 Repository for Traffic Box Program Recommended by Public Art Committee

J. Peters made motion to approve selected artwork to wrap traffic boxes; seconded by J. Cavaness-Williams

All ayes

9. Review and Decision: Tammy De Weerd's Awards in the Arts Recipients

J. Cavaness-Williams made motion to approve selected award recipients; seconded by T. Vannucci

All ayes

NEXT MEETING - JULY 14, 2022 ADJOURNMENT

N. Schofield made motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:27; seconded by R. Wardle All ayes