



Arts and Culture Commission MEETING MINUTES RECORD

Meeting: Regular ACC Meeting **Date:** Mar. 11, 2019 **Location:** Northfield Public Library meeting room.

Scheduled start time: 4:30 p.m. **Scheduled adjourn time:** 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Harper Bechtel (youth), Ann Beimers (youth), Arnab Chakladar, Cynthia Gilbertson (Secretary), Mark Gleason, Paula Granquist, Karna Hauck, Heather Lawrenz (Vice Chair), Alyssa Herzog Melby (Chair), Robby Swenson (youth).

Members absent: Jill Ewald, Bonnie Jean Flom, Hannah Singh (youth),

Others present: Teresa Jensen (Staff Liaison), Kathy Rush-Vizina (Staff Liaison), Alice Thomas, Sue Daehlin, Emy Bess

Call to Order at 4:32 p.m. by Alyssa Herzog Melby, Chair

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda	Motion: Lawrenz
	Second: Hauck
	Approved unanimously.

Public Comment

Emy Bess: a St. Olaf student who will be attending meetings and assisting the ACC with its work as a class requirement.

Alice Thomas: commends the students in Rock & Roll Revival for a fantastic performance.

Sue Daehlin: interested in learning about what the ACC is working on and looking for ways to contribute.

Approval of Minutes from Meeting of Feb. 11, 2019

Granquist: One correction is needed in the list of members in attendance.

Motion to approve minutes from meeting of Feb. 11, 2019 as corrected.	Motion: Hauck
	Second: Chakladar
	Approved unanimously.

2019 ACC Advocacy and Subcommittees

Members chose other City boards and commissions to follow.

Selection of subcommittees was tabled until next month's meeting.

Arts & Culture Recognitions

Bechtel: Northfield Dance Academy is moving into the former Hallmark space. There is a GoFundMe campaign, which can be accessed from northfielddanceacademy.com, to help pay for a dance floor.

Lawrenz: Kudos to the cast and tech of Wizard of Oz. It was incredible. Very large cast! Bechtel performed the role of the Wicked Witch of the West, and she choreographed the entire show.

Hauck: Students displayed their talent in Rock & Roll Revival. Fabulous show!

Lawrenz: Artist Reception for clay exhibitions at the Northfield Arts Guild on March 22nd from 5-9pm. Paul Briggs' SEMAC Capstone event at 5pm, artist-led gallery tours from 6-7pm, reception 7-9pm, and remarks at 7:30pm. More information available at northfieldartsguild.org/visual-arts/galleries/main/. Community Clay Crawl, a celebration of 13 ceramic exhibitions at the Arts Guild, Carleton, and St. Olaf, will be held April 4th from 5-8pm. Remarks at 5:30pm at St. Olaf, 6:15pm at Carleton, and 7pm at the Northfield Arts Guild. More information available at northfieldartsguild.org/event/claynorthfield-community-clay-crawl/.

Kudos to Bonnie Jean Flom, Rob Hardy, and Bill North for rallying to extend the deadline for Sidewalk Poetry and get the word out.

Hauck: Arts a la Carte coming up at the Northfield High School.

Melby: Northfield's Earth Day Celebration will be Saturday, April 27th.

Poet Laureate Report: See written report.

Arts Advocacy in the City

Members shared relevant news from the public meetings of other Boards and Commissions.

Artists on Main Street Initiative

Melby reported on the creative placemaking workshop that took place last weekend.

Select and Approve PARC for Artists on Main Street Initiative

Motion to approve PARC consisting of Lawrenz, Melby, Jensen, a representative from Public Works, a representative from the NDDC, and a representative from the Historic Preservation Commission.	Motion: Chakladar
	Second: Granquist
	Approved unanimously.

Cultural Plan

ACTION: Attend the City Council Work Session on Tuesday, March 12th at 6pm to support the Cultural Plan, which Melby will be presenting.

ACTION: Melby will send around the email address to use for expressing support for the Cultural Plan.

ACTION: Hauck & Melby will meet to coordinate the Creative Placemaking efforts.

FUTURE ACTION: Implementation subcommittees need to be formed. Will be 5-8 people each, including at least one ACC member. Goal is to have them start meeting in April or May.

HS Sculpture Contest SEMAC Grant -- Due April 1st

Hauck: Currently working on letter of intent and application. Looking for sculptors and an apprentice.

Sidewalk Poetry

Deadline extended to March 29th.

ACTIONS: Share the facebook events and spread the word.

Other Project Updates

Living Treasure Award (Melby): Still working on scheduling the debrief meeting with FiftyNorth. Will be putting together a subcommittee to discuss the process.

4X4 Gateway Corridor Subcommittee (Melby & Jensen): Met and talked about the reclamation project. Tracy Heisler and Jill Ewald are working on a public parking signage plan.

Convention and Visitors' Bureau (Gilbertson): No additions to written report

Art in City Hall (Lawrenz): Call for submissions on the water theme has gone up on the website. Submissions are due by April 1st. All community members are welcome to attend the artist reception at City Hall on June 11th from 5-6pm.

ACTION: Lawrenz will create a facebook post.

Other Business

Jensen: Working on the contract for the kiosk project. The Poet Laureate selection process will be similar to a PARC, but will not be covered by the PARC Policy.

Arts Advocacy Day is tomorrow. Lawrenz will be going, others are encouraged to go if they are able. Lawrenz will deliver thank-you cards to representatives Lippert and Draheim.

Hauck: Thank you to Jensen for all of her great advocacy work.

Adjourned at 5:18pm

Motion to adjourn	Motion: Gleason
	Second: Hauck
	Approved unanimously.

Submitted by Cynthia Gilbertson, Secretary.