



Arts and Culture Commission

MEETING MINUTES RECORD

Meeting: Regular ACC Meeting **Date:** February 8, 2021 **Location:** Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Scheduled start time: 4:30pm **Scheduled adjourn time:** 6:00pm

Members present: Todd Edwards (left at 5:20pm), Cynthia Gilbertson (Secretary), Paula Granquist (arrived at 4:37pm), Rob Hardy (Poet Laureate Liaison), Karna Hauck, Teresa Jensen, Matt Klooster, Heather Lawrenz (Chair), Madeline McDermott (youth), Edie Meehan (youth), Sam Nelson (youth), Kamalie Nieves (youth) (arrived at 5:00pm), Juliane Shibata

Members absent: Bob Thacker

Others present: Natalie Draper (Staff Liaison), Kathy Rush-Vizina (Staff Liaison), Alice Thomas

1. Call to Order at 4:30pm by Heather Lawrenz, Chair

2. Checking In

Members each shared how they are coping with (or enjoying) the extremely cold weather.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda	Motion: Edwards
	Second: Shibata
	Approved unanimously.

4. Public Comment

No public comment.

5. Approval of Minutes from Meeting of January 11, 2021

Motion to approve minutes from meeting of January 11, 2021	Motion: Hauck
	Second: Gilbertson
	Approved unanimously.

6. Approval of Officer Slate for 2021

Proposed officers to serve through December, 2021: Cynthia Gilbertson, Chair; Teresa Jensen, Vice Chair; Heather Lawrenz, Secretary.

Motion to approve Proposed Officer Slate for 2021	Motion: Edwards
	Second: Klooster
	Approved unanimously.

7. Cultural Plan Implementation Updates

- A. Building the Brand (see written report)
- B. Working Together (see written report)
- C. Creative Placemaking (see written report)
- D. 4x4 Gateway Corridor (in addition to written report)
MnDOT seems open to our proposal for the banners on poles on Hwy 3 and Third Street, but will need to go through a permitting process.

8. Program Updates

- A. Poet Laureate (see written report)
- B. Youth on Boards (see written report)
- C. Sidewalk Poetry (in addition to written report)
Lawrenz: More people may be needed to put together the Capstone event for the winning Spanish Sidewalk Poetry poems.
- D. Young Sculptors Project (see written report)
- E. Living Treasure Award (in addition to written report)
Mac Gimse is open to doing a virtual event in March. Members brainstormed ideas for an event.
- F. Art in City Hall (in addition to written report)
- G. Mission Statement Subcommittee (see written report)
- H. Artists on Main Street (see written report)
- I. Public Art (in addition to written report)
Jensen has shared with Members the agenda and link for the City Council work session tomorrow night; City Council will be considering the amendment to the ACC ordinance that includes a 1% for the Arts provision.

9. Arts Advocacy in the City

Members signed up to follow the work of other boards and commissions.

10. 2021 ACC Focus

Members continued their discussion of how to organize and prioritize the ACC's work in 2021. Members discussed what subcommittee they would like to serve on and Subcommittee Chairs were tasked with convening a meeting and at least beginning a discussion of priorities before the March meeting.

11. Arts & Culture Recognitions and Announcements

Larwenz: Sam Nelson was wonderful in The Importance of being Earnest in a Pandemic, it was a great show.
Granquist: Middle School and High School's choir concerts were wonderful; it was really fantastic to see how people figured out how to make it work under the circumstances.

12. Other Business?

Draper: The nomination form for the Board & Commission Excellence award has come out and she will share it with ACC Members. The deadline is February 19th. She will also send a link to the Boards and Commissions "onboarding video," which Members are asked to watch. Finally, the State of the City address will be on March 15th.

Motion to adjourn	Motion: Jensen
	Second: Klooster
	Approved unanimously.

Adjourned at 5:50pm

Submitted by Cynthia Gilbertson, Secretary.