



MINUTES

Regular Commission Meeting

Whitebox Live Arts at NTC

2590 Truxton Road, Suite 205, San Diego, CA 92106

Friday, August 15, 2014

Commissioners Present

Robert H. Gleason, Chair
Macedonio Arteaga, Jr.
Larry Baza
Vernon Franck
Joanne Hayakawa
Dea Hurston

Laurie Mitchell
Janet Poutré
Sharletta Richardson
Rebecca Smith
John Venekamp
Sheryl White

Commissioners Absent

Carlos Cristiani
Norma Rodriguez
Doreen Schonbrun

Chair Robert H. Gleason called the regular meeting of the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture (Commission) to order at 8:40 a.m.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Gleason welcomed Commission members, staff and guests. Gleason introduced Jean Isaacs, Artistic Director of the San Diego Dance Theatre. Isaacs introduced Matthew Carney, the newly appointed Executive Director. Carney welcomed the Commissioners and guests to the Whitebox Live Arts space and gave an overview of their programming and upcoming events. Gleason asked Janet Poutré to read aloud the Commission's statement of purpose.

Gleason then introduced Deputy Chief Operating Officer of Neighborhood Services David Graham, who announced that Dana Springs had been appointed the new Executive Director of the Commission.

II. CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Action Item: June 20, 2014 Minutes

Sharletta Richardson **made a motion** to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2014 regular Commission meeting. Joanne Hayakawa seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

B. Action Item: Committee Assignments

Gleason **made a motion** to approve the revised 2014 Commission Committee Assignments with the appointment of Janet Poutré to the Advocacy Advisory and Cultural Tourism Advisory Committees. Sheryl White seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

C. Commissioner Reappointments

Gleason reported that has received indications from the Mayor's staff that the reappointment of Commissioners Carlos Cristiani, Sharletta Richardson, Norma Rodriguez, Rebecca Smith and Sheryl White are likely to occur in September or October. The Mayor is also expected to fill the seats of Chair Gleason and Commissioner Dea Hurston who are terming out in August 2014.

III. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Action: Goodwill Visit Procedures

Hurston **made a motion** that the Commission approve the Policy Committee's recommendation to retire the *Site Visit Handbook* and the new language articulating standard procedures for Commissioner visits to the arts and culture non-profits funded by the Commission be added to the Commission's *Rules and Regulations*. Janet Poutré seconded the motion. Discussion followed. **The motion passed unanimously.**

B. Action: FY15 Rank for San Diego Opera

Hurston **made a motion** that the Commission approve the Policy Committee's recommendation that San Diego Opera's voided FY15 rank stand and San Diego Opera's FY16 application for Organizational Support Program (OSP) funding bypass panel review and to straight to evaluation by the Commission's Funding Committee where how to calculate San Diego Opera's FY16 award without an FY15 rank can be addressed. Janet Poutré seconded the motion. Discussion followed. **The motion passed unanimously.**

IV. PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Action: Public Art Acquisition

Laurie Mitchell **made a motion** that the Commission approve the Public Art Committee's recommendation that the Executive Director of the Commission accept artwork the donation of artwork from the San Diego Public Library Foundation for inclusion in the Civic Art Collection. Vernon Franck seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

V. COMMITTEE AND CHAMPION REPORTS

A. Funding Committee: No report was made.

B. Advocacy Advisory Committee: John Venekamp reported that the Advocacy Advisory Committee will be developing a yearly calendar for meeting with Councilmembers regarding continued support for the Penny for the Arts Blueprint.

C. Cultural Tourism Advisory Committee/Meeting Locations Champion:

Smith reported that the Commission staff has been working with the San Diego Tourism Authority (SDTA) to produce nine videos about arts and culture in neighborhoods which will be completed at the end of September 2014. Smith announced that the Cultural Tourism Advisory Committee will meet at SDTA on September 4, 2014. Smith also reported on the importance of having local businesses involved with the Commission and she indicated that several of the Cultural Tourism Advisory Committee members were from local businesses.

White suggested that more Commission meetings should be held at various businesses in San Diego along with having their CEO/President available at those meetings to keep them informed and involved with the work of the Commission.

D. Arts Education Advisory Committee: Richardson reported on the Arts Education Advisory Committee meeting held on August 13, 2014. She said they reviewed and discussed suggestions for the disbursement of \$100,000 for K-12 arts education initiatives. Richardson reported that the committee's recommendations would be heard by the Commission in September 2014.

E. Other Member Reports: No other report was made.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

A. Executive Director - Springs thanked everyone for their support during her interim period as Executive Director. She reported that she will be planning a Commissioner retreat within the next couple months, possibly one in October with a follow-up in November 2014.

Springs also reported that she will be addressing the Commission's staffing needs in the next few months and will also be working with the Park and Recreation staff to assist with the upcoming centennial celebration. She announced that the Commission's Organizational Support Program (OSP) and Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) application filing period will be very similar to last year's, with due dates for applications in January 2015.

B. Funding Program Manager – No report was made.

VII. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was made by:

1. Carol Manifold, SACRA/PROFANA
2. Matt Carney, San Diego Dance Theatre
3. Carin Scheinin, San Diego Women's Chorus
4. Patric Stillman, Artwalk
5. Molly Terbovich-Ridenhour, San Diego Civic Youth Ballet
6. Christopher Beach, La Jolla Music Society
7. Keith Fisher, San Diego Opera

VIII. ADJOURN COMMISSION MEETING

Gleason adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

GUESTS:

David Graham

Carol Manifold

Patric Stillman

Megan Schuber

Carly Newman

Ferdinand Gasang

Jean Isaacs

Carin Scheinin

Christopher Beach

Niki Even

Chris LaZich

Juliana Morse

Matt Carney

Molly Terbovich-Ridenhour

Keith Fisher

Lisa Kalal

Annemarie Maricle