



MINUTES
Regular Commission Meeting
Flying Leatherneck Aviation Museum
T-4203 Anderson Avenue, San Diego, CA 92145
Friday, May 16, 2014

Commissioners Present

Robert H. Gleason, Chair	Laurie Mitchell
Macedonio Arteaga, Jr.	Sharletta Richardson
Carlos Cristiani	Doreen Schonbrun
Vernon Franck	Rebecca Smith
Joanne Hayakawa	John Venekamp

Commissioners Absent

Larry Baza
Dea Hurston
Norma Rodriguez
Sheryl White

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 Colonel Fred Allega, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of the Directors, Flying Leatherneck Historical Foundation. Allega gave a brief overview of the museum and then introduced board member Patricia Laubach who gave an overview of the museum's arts education program collaboration with the University of San Diego. Gleason asked Vernon Franck to read aloud the Commission's statement of purpose.

II. CHAIR'S REPORT

Action Item: April 25, 2014 Minutes

Franck **made a motion** to approve the amended minutes of the April 25, 2014 regular Commission meeting. Sharletta Richardson seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

B. FY15 Budget Review Committee Meeting and "May Revise"

Gleason gave an overview of the City Council's review of the Mayor's FY15 proposed budget on May 7, 2014. Gleason reported that he made an organized presentation along with Mitzi Lizarraga, Ethan Van Thillo, Carlos Cristiani and a musical performance by Nomsa Burkhardt from the Center for World Music.

C. FY2013 Community and Economic Impact Report

Gleason reported that Mayor Faulconer held a press conference on May 1, 2014 to release the Commission's FY2013 Community and Economic Impact Report. Rebecca Smith was a keynote speaker at the event.

D. Executive Director Search

Gleason reported that the Commission's Committee Chairs will continue working with the City's Human Resources Department to screen the applicants for the Executive Director position. Gleason said that the process will include two rounds of interviews in the next couple weeks and then the finalists will be interviewed by Mayor Faulconer and/or the Mayor's staff.

III. PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Action Item: Artist Selection Panel for Fiesta Island Triathlon Public Art Project

Laurie Mitchell **made a motion** to approve the following Public Art Committee recommendation of: 1) Laurie Mitchell for the seat of the Public Art Committee member, 2) Lynda Forsha for the other seat of the Public Art Committee member and 3) Melinda Barnadas for the seat of the Visual Art/Design Professional with alternates Marisol Rendón, Tae Hwang, Wendy Maruyama and Jessica McCambly (in no particular order) to serve as three of the five ad hoc artist selection panelists for the Fiesta Island Triathlon public art project. Doreen Schonbrun seconded the motion. Carlos Cristiani abstained from the vote. **The motion passed unanimously.**

B. Action Item: Artist Selection Panel for Skyline Hills Branch Library Public Art Project

Mitchell **made a motion** to approve the Public Art Committee's recommendation of Laurie Mitchell for the seat of the Public Art Committee member and Cris Scorza for the other seat of the Public Art Committee member, to serve as two of the five ad hoc artist selection panelists for the Skyline Hills Branch Library public art project. Joanne Hayakawa seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

C. Review of application from Faiya Fredman for Donation of Artwork by Faiya Fredman

Mitchell **made a motion** to approve the Public Art Committee's recommendation that the Interim Executive Director of the Commission accept the donation of six artworks by Faiya Fredman for inclusion in the San Diego Public Library Visual Arts Program sub-collection of the Civic Art Collection. Schonbrun seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

IV. COMMITTEE AND CHAMPION REPORTS

A. Policy Committee: No report was made.

B. Funding Committee: Springs reported on behalf of Larry Baza in his absence. She gave an overview of the handout the Commissioners received depicting artwork in Balboa Park that will utilize the \$77,000 allocation from the Commission's FY14 budget, approved by the Funding Committee, to conserve art in Balboa Park.

C. Public Art Committee: No additional report was made.

D. Advocacy Advisory Committee: John Venekamp reported that the Advocacy Advisory Committee will be developing a yearly calendar for meeting with Councilmembers to keep ongoing communication with each council office and keep them informed on the Commission's work, along with educating the council and arts community on the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) and its intended use within the city.

E. Cultural Tourism Advisory Committee/Meeting Locations Champion:

Smith reported that the Commission has been working with the San Diego Tourism Authority to produce nine videos about arts and culture in neighborhoods and she will announce their release as soon as they are completed.

F. Arts Education Advisory Committee: Richardson reported that she has reviewed historic arts education documents and interviewed local arts education experts in order to formulate the planning work of the Arts Education Advisory Committee. She said she plans to hold another committee meeting the first week of June.

Schonbrun reported that she will be meeting with Cindy Marten, San Diego Unified School District Superintendent.

G. Goodwill Visits Champion: No report was made.

H. Other Member Reports: No other reports were made.

V. STAFF REPORTS

A. Interim Executive Director - Springs made the following announcements:

1. The information session that was scheduled for May 19, 2014 on retirement planning for arts and culture organizations and individuals, presented by Christopher Weil & Company, Inc., has been postponed until the Fall 2014.
2. Commissioner Macedonio Arteaga will represent the Commission at the June 19-22, 2014 Theatre Communications Group's national convention which will be held in San Diego.
3. San Diego Opera leaders will hold a press conference regarding the future of the opera on Monday, May 19, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in front of the Civic Theatre downtown.
4. The Mayor's office announced changes to the executive team which include Deputy Chief Operating Officer Ron Villa's reassignment from the Neighborhood Services branch to the Internal Operations branch and the new assignment of Deputy Chief Operating Officer David Graham to the Neighborhood Services branch – the branch which oversees the operations of the Commission.
5. The Commission recently received \$300,000 into the Civic Enhancement Fund.

B. Funding Program Manager – No report was made.

VI. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was made by:

1. Carin Scheinin, San Diego Women's Chorus
2. Caren Dufour, PGK Dance Project and on behalf of the Rising Arts Leaders

VIII. ADJOURN COMMISSION MEETING

Gleason adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

GUESTS:

Fred Allega
Caren Dufour
Patric Stillman
Sharon Durker

Carin Scheinin
Lynn Basquez
Lisa Kalal

Emma Maruska
Gabriel Gomez
Juliana Morse