

CHESAPEAKE FINE ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2019

Vice Chair Lisa Doud called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm at the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Administrative Office, 1224 Progressive Drive, Chesapeake, VA 23320.

Members Present

Mary Kate Andris
Terri Anderson
Daniel Boothe
Barbara Dorrough
Lisa Doud, Chair
Brion Humphrey
Neisha Jones
Amy Massey
Anthony Riley
Thomas Retnauer, Vice Chair
Mark Warack

Members Absent

Loriann Kovacic
Stacey Mansfield
Kim Painter

Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Staff Present: Mike Barber, Joe Ruthenberg

Minutes Approved: Minutes from the November 15th meeting were distributed and approved unanimously.

Fundraising/Budget/Long-Range Planning/Events: Vice Chair Retnauer reviewed a meeting with Arts Alive! regarding the Food Trucks on the Square event. After discussions with Arts Alive they have agreed to collect and deposit all of the revenue from the events and split the proceeds with Fine Arts Commission 50/50. The arranging of which food trucks will be at each event will be organized by the Fine Arts Commission. Arts Alive! will also have a table set up at each event where they can publicize their organization and may sell water as well.

Chair Doud explained that the Business Consortium has agreed to take up the Chesapeake Initiative for fundraising and they have made a proposal for grant money that is currently being considered.

Grants: Commissioners should review which groups they have been assigned to as a liaison and begin contacting them. Chair Doud has compiled a list of guidelines for knowing what to do with your liaison. It is important that commissioners make sure they are in attendance at the grant presentations for their respective organizations and should do what is needed to insure that they are in attendance on that day.

Commissioner Riley brought forward a motion to accept the late grant submissions from Tidewater Community College and Tidewater Arts Outreach, it was approved unanimously. Another motion was brought forward by Commissioner Retnauer to extend the grant application deadline for all applicants from January 10, 2019 to January 24, 2019, it was approved unanimously by the commission.

Commissioner Riley brought forth a motion to change the regularly scheduled meeting time from 6:30 pm to 5:30 pm for the months of February, March and April, it was voted on and approved unanimously by the commission.

Media: Continue to share events related to the Fine Arts Commission.

Arts Alive!: Arts Alive! annual scholarship competition will be taking place on February 16 starting at 9 am at Indian River High School. They are still looking for volunteers to work the event.

Art Education: No updates.

Public Art/Individual Artists: New sidewalks have been installed at City Park around the monument and interpretative signs will be installed in the spring or summer.

Old Business: No updates.

New Business: The commissioners were encouraged to come up with some ideas for a new name for the Food Trucks on the Square event, the best options will be selected and then possibly voted on by the public via the commission's Facebook page. Time may limit us on doing this to advertise properly.

On February 2nd the Hampton Roads Student Gallery event will take place at the Chesapeake Central Library at 3:30 pm, the FAC has the option to have an information table at the event.

City Business: The V. Thomas Forehand, Jr Student Art Exhibit reception will be taking place on Wednesday, January 30 at 5:30 pm at the Circuit and General District Courts Building Jury Assembly and Deliberation Room.

Great Battlefield and Waterways History Foundation had their soft opening during the weekend of the Battle of Great Bridge (December 8-9, 2018); the anticipated full opening of the museum will be late spring or early summer, once all the exhibits have been completed. It will also be available for rent for small events and parties.

Announcements: On February 16, at 7 pm, the Ms. Oscar Smith High School Scholarship Pageant will be taking place, contact Commissioner Humphrey if you are interested in attending.

Deep Creek High School's music program is having a mattress sale/fundraiser to replace all the orchestra shells at the school. More details on the event to follow.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:30 pm

Minutes submitted by Joe Ruthenberg