

Bethany Wood 7/16/24



Cultural and Scientific Commission
MINUTES

Tuesday, May 21, 2024
5:30pm - PACE Center

- I. Call to Order at 5:38pm
- II. Roll Call
 - I. **Present:** Carrie Glassburn, Suzanne Velasquez, Bethany Wood, Terri Tilliss, Diana Norton, Annie Day, Christine Kennedy, Tom O'Malley, ~~Tabitha LaRose~~ Burroughs, Allen Rosen
 - II. **Absent/Excused:** Phil Kramer, Katie Milazzo, Robert Sanchez and Michael Montoya, *Tabitha LaRose* ~~of~~ (excused)
 - III. Also in attendance: Britni Minichino-Sikora, Parker Arts Programming Manager
- III. Approval of Minutes from March 19, 2024
 - I. **Motion made:** Terri
 - II. **Seconded:** Annie
 - III. All in favor, passed unanimously
- IV. Ice Breaker
 - I. What artistic event/show/production have you attended or participated in since we last met?
- V. Moved this item up on the agenda due to time constraints: **Honey Festival Committee update:**
 - I. Everything is on track, would like commissioners to help volunteer at entrance to take accurate count.
- V. **Staff Spotlight** – Britni Minichino-Sikora, Programming Manager (20 minutes)
 - I. Britni discussed her role as programming manager and what support she would like from commissioners
 - II. Major information shared: discussed the conferences she and Carrie attend to find acts to book, how they decide on acts, and how Parker Arts does not usually turn a profit on the bigger names due to how contracts and fees work out.
 - III. **Support from commissioners:** if we see or know of an act/performance/group that we'd like Parker Arts to bring to town, let Britni know.
- VI. Committee Updates
 - a. Parker Arts Lecture Series
 - a. Wrapped up well, a discussion group on aging with intention has formed out of one of the last lectures and continues to meet regularly
 - b. History Committee
 - a. Second crime and wine event a success, planning has begun on next year's event with a new story to tell
 - c. Honey Festival Committee (discussed earlier)

- d. Science Committee – no update
- e. Art in Public Places
 - a. Art Encounters sculptures now on display, Utility Wraps project moving forward, New mural at Jordan and Todd, DBA Lamppost banners
- f. Strategic Planning Committee – no update
 - a. Comments on RFP - Carrie asked the group to get her any comments on the RFP draft to solicit a consultant for the Cultural Strategic Plan work. The RFP will be deployed shortly.

VII. Upcoming Events

- a. Discovery Park Summer Concerts (May 30; June 6, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; August 1)
- b. June 1st – Neon Nights: Adult Prom Fundraiser
- c. June 24-25th Season Announcement (Member Event)
- d. July 16th Commission Meeting
- e. August 4th – Honey Festival

VI. New Business

VIII. Adjournment at 7:28pm

I. **Motion made**: Terri

II. **Seconded**: Allen

III. All in favor, passed unanimously

July Meeting: July 16, 2024, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm – Location TBD

Arts Update at Town Council Meeting: September 9 – Town Hall, Council Chambers

September Meeting: September 17th, 5:30pm - 7:00pm – Location TBD

November Meeting: November 19, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm – Location TBD