



Cultural and Scientific Commission
AGENDA

September 16, 2025
5:30 p.m. - PACE Center

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from July 15, 2025
- IV. Ice Breaker (Terri - 5 minutes)
- V. Committee Updates (20 minutes - 3 minutes each)
 - a. Parker Arts Lecture Series
 - b. History Committee
 - c. Honey Festival Committee
 - d. Science Committee
 - e. Strategic Planning Committee
 - f. Public Art Commission
- VI. Reminder of important dates (Terri - 5 minutes)
 - a. Parker Proud September 20 <https://parkerco.gov/2412/Parker-Proud-Showcase>
 - b. Study Session October 6
 - c. Keen presentation October 21
- VII. Filling vacancies of Diana, Christine, Michael (Suzanne - 5 minutes)
- VIII. Incumbent commissioners seeking reappointment for a new term - Bethany, Tom, Terri (Bethany/Suzanne - 10 minutes)
 - a. Process for reappointment (Suzanne)
- IX. Commissions Standard Operating Manual (Suzanne - 15 minutes)
 - a. Overview of specific sections
 - b. Commissioners should review the entire manual in advance of the meeting
 - c. Q & A
- X. Strategic Planning Committee, Katie stepping down as Chair (Carrie - 3 minutes)
- XI. Director's Report (Carrie - 5 minutes)
- XII. Presentation to Town Council, October 6 Study Session (Carrie - 10 minutes)
- XIII. Adjournment

Next Meeting: November 18, 2025 – Location PACE Center

Upcoming Events:

- Route 66 Fall Fundraiser October 4
- Parker Arts Lecture: Ghosts of Colorado October 8
- The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee October 24 - November 16
- Parker Science Night November 9
- Parker Arts Lecture: The Future of Nuclear Power in Colorado November 12
- Shrek The Musical January 16 - February 8



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Minutes

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Bethany Wood 11-18-25
Diana Norton-Stuckey
18 Nov. 2025

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Terri called the meeting to order at 5:33pm
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Commissioners: Allen Rosen, Michael Montoya, Nicholas Geraci, Robert Sanchez, Christine Kennedy, Terri Tillis, Bethany Wood
 - b. Staff: Carrie Glassburn, Suzanne Velasquez
 - c. Absent, excused: Katie Reid Milazzo, Tom O'Malley, Diana Norton-Stuckey
 - d. Absent, unexcused: Annie Day
- III. Approval of Minutes from July 15, 2025
 - a. Allen moved to approve, Michael seconded the motion which passed unanimously
- IV. Ice Breaker
 - a. Terri led the group in an icebreaker "Something about Fall that you are looking forward to"
- V. Committee Updates
 - a. Parker Arts Lecture Series - Terri
 - First lecture of the series last week "Wildlife in Your Backyard". 144 RSVPs, 120 attended, adults and a few children in attendance, good audience participation
 - Upcoming lecture: Ghosts of Colorado
 - The committee is currently planning next season
 - b. History Committee – Bethany/Michael
 - Crime and Wine – 2 nights back-to-back, both sold out, inquisitive groups, participants had a lot of fun
 - Great feedback from attendees
 - Having the band out front generated a lot of public attention
 - Debrief will occur next week
 - The committee will be connecting with the DC chapter of the 'Sisters in Crime' organization to potentially create a "Who Done It" type of event for the future

- c. Honey Festival Committee – Annie and Tom were not in attendance to report
 - Michael noted that there were a lot of attendees and visitors to the Parker Arts/Commission booth
 - Terri gave out stickers, the most common comment from attendees “We look forward to this event and come every year”
 - Ran out of stickers by noon and we gave away 5000
 - Bethany has a friend who is a vendor who commented that each year this is the best event that they participate in
- d. Science Committee – Robert
 - Science night is coming on November 9
 - The committee is dividing up the roles that they play for the event
 - Anticipating 2000-2500 people
 - Looking at timed entries again
 - Planning is underway for the Denver Metro Regional Science Fair which will be held in February at Auraria Campus– Science Committee members will serve as judges for this event
- e. Strategic Planning Committee – Carrie
 - Over the year, Keen has been meeting with Council, Staff, Commissioners, Public.
 - Data has been compiled, and we are now working toward next steps in creating the plan
 - Keen is presenting to Staff on October 15, PCSC and PAC on October 21 and Council following
 - Progress is being made, final decisions will need to consider balancing revenue vs mission
- f. Public Art Commission – Carrie & Christine
 - Projects: Fieldhouse mural completed by American Academy students, Garage mural project “Portals of Parker” being shared with Town Council in October, fencing banner along the construction site on Mainstreet now installed

VI. Reminder of important dates - Terri

- a. Parker Proud, September 20
 - Volunteers – Christine, Robert, Bethany
- b. Study Session, October 6
- c. Keen presentation, October 21

VII. Filling vacancies of Diana, Christine, Michael – Suzanne

- a. Timeline
 - Sept 22- Oct 19 – Call for Commissioners open

- Oct 22-24 - Resume review committee Oct 22-24
 - Robert, Allen, Christine
 - Oct 27 – coordinate interview slots
 - November 4th Interviews

- VIII. Incumbent commissioners seeking reappointment for a new term (Bethany, Tom, Terri) and process for reappointment – Suzanne
 - a. Commissioners will need to review and update their application (resume/bio) and submit to Suzanne
 - b. Commissioners will have an interview with Council members on Nov 4

- IX. Commissions Standard Operating Manual - Suzanne
 - a. Overview of specific sections
 - Vacancies and appointment process
 - Attendance Policy and Quorum Requirements
 - Selection of Officers
 - Orientation and Training
 - Meeting Responsibilities and Rules of Procedure
 - Recording and Approval of Minutes
 - Conflicts of Interest
 - Participation in Political Activity

- X. Strategic Planning Committee, Katie stepping down as Chair - Carrie
 - a. As Katie is taking on a leadership role with one of Parker Arts’ production partners, it was determined that there may be a perceived conflict of interest with serving as Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee
 - b. Allen volunteered to serve as the Committee Chair

- XI. Director’s Report - Carrie
 - a. Opened our 2025-2026 presented season
 - b. Waiting for a history grant, hoping to be awarded \$90,000 to re-do the Heritage Center

- XII. Presentation to Town Council, October 6 Study Session - Carrie
 - a. Commissioners to give a presentation with updates of all the commission has accomplished in the year

- XIII. Adjournment
 - a. Bethany adjourned the meeting at 7:09pm

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