

Art Committee Minutes

June 6, 2016 at 7 p.m.

Present: Johanna Delaney, Chair; Laura Tortorello, Trustee; Kathleen Wilson, Trustee; Vicky Bush-Joseph; Margaret Carsello-Chiappetta; Karen Kleckner Keefe, Executive Director Absent: Pat Potokar, Pam White

Also Present: Ridgeway Burns, Youth and Young Adult Services Manager; David Lee Csicsko

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

David Lee Csicsko Proposal

Csicsko reviewed his proposal, which included a tile wall project for \$19,620 and a mosaic projects for \$4,950.

Given concerns about putting the mosaics on the wall where new flexible seating had been installed, the committee and artist went to the Youth Services department to evaluate other placement.

Csicsko recommended placing them on the interior of the columns in the center of the room as you approach the seating. He felt that the addition of the mosaics brings art out into the space.

Csicsko showed the committee members images of other mosaics he had done and collected feedback on revisions the committee would like to see to the trees in the mosaic design. Csicsko will work on a revision and send the draft to Executive Director Keefe to share with the committee.

The committee discussed timeline, and Csicsko told them that the mosaics would have the shortest turnaround time.

The committee discussed the contract that would be used, and Csicsko told them that he would prepare a contract that had payment terms and would create a working agreement with any subcontractors he used.

Csicsko thanked the committee for their consideration and left the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

The committee asked Keefe to confirm the proposed size of the mosaics.

On a motion by Vicky Bush-Joseph and a roll call vote, the committee unanimously approved the commission of the tile wall project presented in Csicsko's 6/6/2016 proposal for \$19,620.

Bush-Joseph also moved that the committee commission the mosaic project, subject to committee review of the requested revisions, project presented in Csicsko's 6/6/2016 proposal for \$4,950.

Vicky Bush-Joseph, Johanna Delaney, Kathleen Wilson, and Margaret Carsello-Chiappetta voted yes. Laura Tortorello and Karen Kleckner Keefe voted no. Keefe explained that she did not want to approve a commissioned piece of visual art sight unseen. Tortorello expressed concern about impact the pieces could have on the utility and flexibility of the Youth Services department.

The committee agreed to hold a special meeting on Thursday, June 9 to review the revised mosaic drawings.

Minutes

On a motion by Vicky Bush-Joseph and seconded by Johanna Delaney, the committee unanimously approved the minutes from the January 19, January 26, and March 9 Art Committee meetings.

Rotating Exhibits

Committee members complimented Kristina Knowski on her exhibit and knowledgeable discussion at her opening reception.

The committee reviewed some of the work submitted for consideration and asked Executive Director Keefe to invite Darcy Zoells to exhibit in the spring of 2017.

Keefe will also follow-up with Randy Jones to find out more about the artist's interest in the Library.

Collection Development

Margaret Carsello-Chiappetta brought in the Dorian Allworthy painting she had mentioned at the previous meeting.

The committee took no action on this item.

Member Comments

Margaret Carsello-Chiappetta told the committee that she would be taking a leave of absence for the next year in order to accept a teaching position in Beijing.

There being no further business, on a motion by Vicky Bush-Joseph and seconded by Laura Tortorello, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.