

Art Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2022

Present: Kim Kiyosaki, Trustee; Dick Munson, Trustee; Amrita Davis, Vicky Bush-Joseph.

Also Present: Karen Kleckner Keefe, Executive Director

Call to order at 2:06 p.m.

On a motion by Vicky Bush-Joseph and seconded by Kim Kiyosaki, the minutes of the January 27, 2020, meeting were unanimously approved.

Executive Director Keefe reviewed the projects that the Art Commission had been working on prior to the pandemic. She told the Commission that Eve Ozer and Lindsay Olson are both available to put on the exhibits that had to be postponed.

On a motion by Vicky Bush-Joseph and seconded by Kim Kiyosaki, the Commission unanimously approved inviting Ozer and Olson to exhibit.

The Commission discussed the goals and philosophy of the rotating exhibits. They agree that the focus should be local artists. Exhibits can be an opportunity for community building. In the past, exhibits have focused more on fine art than "arts and crafts."

Amrita Davis suggested working with local galleries on programming or finding artists to exhibit. She also mentioned the student artist yard signs she had seen this past school year and asked if the Library could find out more about how students were selected and if there might be an opportunity for an exhibit of their work.

Keefe reviewed the student ambassador position and audio tour of the permanent collection that had been discussed in 2020. Keefe will update the application for a high school representative and share with the Commission at the next meeting.

The Commission expressed interest in pursuing the audio tour. Information for each piece would include information about the artwork, the artist, and ways of interpreting the work. There could also be interviews with the artists. Keefe told the Commission she would find examples and best practices about museum and other audio tours to share at the next meeting.

The Commission discussed art-related programing like a "Beginners' Guide to NFTs." They also discussed the kinds of presentations local gallery owners might be willing to make. They suggested that a program before next year's Fine Arts Festival.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3 p.m.

Approved: September 22, 2022