

Manchester Arts Commission

March 10, 2016

Members in attendance: Cathy Thrall, Michele O'Neil, Nick DuBaldo, Jo-Ann Dorn, Jana Tierney, Jon Carlo, Pasqua Guzzi (5:45)

Michele calls the meeting to order at 5:32 PM

Motion to approve the February minutes: Jana motions, Jo-Ann seconds. Nick abstains.

Motion to approve the proposed agenda: Jo-Ann motions, Jana seconds. All approve.

New Business -

We are still waiting to hear back from the Road Race Committee about the approval for the troubadour composition. Jana proposes that we take an assortment of graphic designers who can design sneakers which she can get at a low/no cost. Perhaps we could use those designed sneakers as an exhibition during the 80th Road Race Anniversary Gala. Michele feels that this is under our purview but we would still need to acquire the Road Race Committee's approval. JonCarlo wonders if there is a way that we could take that idea and "run" with it on our own even if it's not a Road Race event. We will check with Jane about having a small gallery display at MCC if the Road Race Committee wouldn't like to take part. Jana and Jon Carlo would like to take this idea on, they will plan on inviting Lynn Sottile to join us for the next meeting.

Youth Commission Appointee: Jon Carlo will contact the Youth Commission about an appointee as well as a "rising star" for our Hall of Fame ceremony.

Old Business:

Annual Report - Liz was going to edit it and send that out for review.

Big Book of Ideas - tabled

State of the Arts - So far, there are only 20 confirmed responses for this event, but there could very well be many more as we push promotion and invitations. The speaker is confirmed and will speak about available grants and funding opportunities. Mark Pellegrini will likely speak about the community mural projects.

Hall of Fame - June 16, 2016 Nominations - Rick Meier has accepted his already approved nomination. Laurie Fogg has been nominated as a painter for the "Rising Star." Kathy Camposeo's name has come up for nomination. She is a "quiet force" as a teacher, mentor, supporter and creator of art. She works in both digital and tactile media; paintings, drawings and crafts. The plan is to have it at the Spruce Street Community Center and have Highland Park do some light catering. Jo-Ann motions that we accept the nominations of Katherine Camposeo and

Laurie Fogg as inductees to the Manchester Arts Commission Arts Hall of Fame, Jana seconds, all approve. Michele suggests that we entertain the idea of using White Glass to supply the awards. Both inductees will need speakers for their introductions.

Troubadour Event - We will need to consider if putting on semi-commercial events is in our scope. Perhaps we could tie in with MARC and see if they would be willing to co-host. Nick will get in touch with Kevin Zingler and see if it's feasible.

Other Business: Molly Devanney (Manchester Community Service Council) would like to hold a gathering of organizations in April to set priorities and enhance services available. The more organizations that take part gives them a better understanding of what is currently available and what could be made more or better available.

There being no further business, Jo-Ann motions to adjourn at 6:19, Jana seconds and all approve.