

Kanab Arts Board Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2019

Board Members Present: Josh Warburton, Katherine Van Hagan, Linda McCowan, and Jenna Corry

Board Members Absent: Mike Lee, Mikelle Stott

Other attendees: Celeste Meyeres (City Council Liaison), Dave Owens (Treasurer), Raven Chiong (guest)

CALL TO ORDER

Josh Warburton called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm

Mr. Warburton asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2019 meeting. Jenna Corry made a motion, Katherine Van Hagan seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Prior to moving through the rest of the agenda, Mr. Warburton stated that he would not be able to attend the July meeting at the regularly scheduled time. Other participants also indicated that they have conflicts due to the July 4th holiday. **As a result, the next meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 26 at 5:30 pm.**

FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL

Russell Wulfenstein, the chair of the folk-dance festival was unable to attend the meeting in person, so he participated by phone. He updated the group on the current budget needs. The budget decreased in the travel area since all of the dance team members can travel on a single bus. Per his projections, there is an approximately \$1500 need using a bare bones budget. Ms. Van Hagan indicated that Best Friends Animal Sanctuary is providing a sponsorship of \$250 and Ms. Corry said she believed that South Central would come in with a generous gift. Ms. Van Hagan will also continue to follow up with local businesses to raise more funds.

After discussion, Katherine Van Hagan made a motion to allocate \$1,000 in the current fiscal year budget toward the festival. Linda McCowan seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

OUTDOOR MARKET SETUP/TEARDOWN

Mr. Warburton provided a spreadsheet for each attendee to sign up for a date to set up and/or tear down the market on Saturdays. Those in attendance signed up for dates that they could be available. Mr. Warburton will also share the spreadsheet with the entire board so that those in attendance can sign up for open slots. It would be appreciated if members could commit to at least two weekends.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP – Austin Soderquist

Mr. Warburton read a resignation letter from Mr. Soderquist to the group. Due to Mr. Soderquist's resignation, there is a vacancy on the board. Mr. Warburton proposed bringing Jeff Roth on as a board member. Mr. Roth had expressed interest in the past and has recently resubmitted a letter of interest. Ms. Meyeres expressed concern regarding Mr. Roth due to his involvement with the Kanab Chamber of Commerce. Recently, the chamber lost its nonprofit status due to a failure to file tax returns. The

current treasurer is working to rectify this situation but is having a difficult time obtaining the correct documentation. Ms. Meyeres was concerned about the optics of having an executive member of the chamber on a city board while the chamber is having these issues. Ms. Meyeres will discuss the situation with either the mayor or city manager to obtain their feedback. Mr. Warburton also stated that he would like to see Mr. Roth proactively re-express his interest to join the board.

Mr. Warburton also raised the possibility of adding Dave Owens to the board. As acting treasurer and active volunteer, he is a good fit. Due to light attendance, no decision was made, and the topic will be raised at the next meeting.

LIBRARY ART SHOW

Mr. Warburton read a text from Mikelle Stott regarding the status of the next library art show. In the text, the date for the next show has been postponed by a month so that it will take place at the end of July. She has received interest from two artists – Sonders Clark and Loretta Clayson. She will have more information next week so that Ms. Corry can begin to work on a marketing flyer.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Mr. Warburton stated that he has not been able to secure a group to perform on the proposed July date for the Summer Concert Series. Due to work with other events, he proposed that the series be moved to August through September instead of starting in July. He also expressed some concern about the need for more funding for three concerts. Celeste Meyeres and Ms. Van Hagan suggested that the series include two concerts instead of three. This proposal was agreeable to the group. Currently, Mr. Warburton has a soft commitment for the August concert from Strange Familia and he will contact Joe Decker, city manager to see if more funds could be allocated for a September concert.

OUTSTANDING GRANTS

Mr. Owens stated that he has logged into both grant sites and has not seen any information. If he does not hear any feedback from the grants, he will send an email on or after June 15. He expressed confidence in the Utah State grant but was unsure of the Tour West grant.

ARTIST OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Ms. Van Hagan provided a spreadsheet listing the nominees received through email. She will send this spreadsheet to the entire group asking for votes on artist of the year and art supporter of the year as well as possible additional nominations.

OTHER BUSINESS

Website - Mr. Warburton stated that the website project has been dormant due to lack of time. He will try to work on a basic site listing the arts board events over the next month.

Outdoor Market Progress – The outdoor market has been very active and continues to grow with both vendors and attendees.

Red Rocktoberfest Art Walk – Due to time constraints, this was not thoroughly discussed, however, ideas were raised to enhance the walk with literary content and/or vendors.

Additionally, Raven Chiong, a guest of the meeting introduced herself and stated that she represents writers and poets. As a Kanab resident for 12 years she acts as a bridge to the Maynard Dixon and Thunderbird Foundations. She provided materials on Maynard Dixon and said that their venue is available for events. She also informed the group that the Kanab Writers Conference will take place in November.

Mr. Warburton asked Ms. Chiong to consider assisting with adding literary content to the Red Roctoberfest Art Walk and she expressed a desire to be involved.

ADJOURNMENT

Katherine Van Hagan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm