

GRESHAM ART COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday September 15, 2016 - 4:00PM
City Hall, Conference Room 3A

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kay Nolan
Cindy Lenig Cossu
Barbara Solomon
Pamela Zero
Cassie Fisher
Connie Otto
Maryanne Ott

GUESTS PRESENT:

Dennis Laverly
Scott McKnight
Meg Turner
Samuel Turner
Jan Lucking
Cynthia Smith

City Liaison: Kathy Kollenburn

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Cassie Fisher. Guests were introduced and members each gave a brief introduction of themselves for the benefit of the guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 2, 2016 minutes were adopted with the following changes:

Barbara Solomon noted she had not stated she would accept vice-chair position. Kathy Kollenburn reported to the committee that the co-chair option would not be allowed by the City of Gresham, because of City code. This had been unanimously approved in the June 2 meeting, pending City approval.

Motion to accept the minutes with corrections: Cindy Lenig Cossu

Second: Kay Nolan

Vote: Unanimous

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Cindy Lenig Cossu suggested an anonymous nomination of officers. The final nominations were:

Chair: Barbara Solomon

Vice-Chair: Cindy Lenig Cossu

Secretary: Kay Nolan

After a brief discussion by Cindy and Barbara regarding time commitments, all nominees agreed to serve for the 2016/2017 year.

A motion was made by Pamela to accept all the new officers

Second: Connie Otto.

Vote: Unanimous

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Following the election , the meeting was turned over to the new Chair, Barbara Solomon.

BUDGET:

The committee was updated by Pamela Zero and Kathy Kollenburn on the additional cost for hosting the web-site, which is still in flux from the old server. The budget will be impacted by the additional cost.

Motion to accept the new charge: Barbara Solomon

Second: Kay Nolan

Vote: Unanimous

Kathy Kollenburn reported to the committee that there would be an additional charge of \$23 for GAC portion of City of Gresham email service. The old service was discontinued. It was agreed that if the charge was excessive in the future, other avenues would be looked at.

Motion to accept the new charge: Cindy Lenig Cossu

Second: Kay Nolan

Vote: Unanimous

CATERING UPDATE:

Kathy Kollenburn updated the committee on the closing of our go-to caterer TWISTED CARROT. A discussion about other options, such as e-mail to connect with new ones, took place. It was noted that many caterers do not want to come back for clean-up, so that may have to be handled differently in the future. The City of Gresham hopes for local caterers if available.

MEETING DATES AND TIMES:

After a discussion by members of the times that work for meetings, 1st Thursdays at 4:30-6:00 was accepted.

Motion to accept: Marianne Ott

Second: Connie Otto

Vote: Unanimous

2017 SHOW THEMES/DATES:

The committee members discussed possible themes for 2017 and voted on the new themes for four shows, as agreed in the June meeting. The themes are:

Feb-May; RED

May-Aug; GLIMPSES OF WONDER

Aug-Nov; FOUR SEASONS

Nov-Feb; LIGHT AND SHADOW

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Kathy Kollenburn will find out about take in/ take down dates available to avoid First Fridays if possible. She will bring them to the next meeting.

Motion to accept themes and order: Pamela Zero

Second: Cindy Lenig Cossu

Vote: Unanimous

BRIEF UPDATE ON SHOWS:

CHROMATIC SHOW: Cindy reported it has been a successful show with 4 sales. She noted that 2 separate large articles in the Outlook had brought additional attention to the show.

THROUGH THE DOOR SHOW: Cassie said all was on track, except the musician for the opening, and she mentioned the caterer COWGIRL CUPCAKES has been scheduled.

GRESHAM ART COMMITTEE SHOW: Pamela reviewed progress on the upcoming GAC show and highlighted Barbara's work. Marianne suggested the show be called GRESHAM ART COMMITTEE not GAC show.

It was suggested that participants be amended to include volunteers that have come to meetings and helped out, since the City review of Volunteer Committees has not allowed additional members to be added for the past year.

Motion to accept the amended members and the name: Pamela Zero

Second: Connie Otto

Vote: Unanimous

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Kathy Kollenburn asked members to send all emails to her for distribution to the committee. Kay Nolan, Cindy Lenig Cossu, and Connie Otto reminded the City liaison that this practice was adopted during the time of conflict within the committee. Since the committee members are excited to put that time behind and move on in a collaborative way, it was suggested that this "oversight" was no longer needed. Kathy shared that her boss Teresa Hall recommended this process, and she said she would share the committees concerns with Teresa. Since a CC to the liaison is standard procedure on all e-mail correspondence, it was suggested as a more appropriate policy. Barbara asked Kathy to find out the policy regarding emails for the rest of the City's committees.

2. Mt. Hood Visual Arts Gallery has a new show coming up and guest Meg Turner will bring dates for next meeting to share with members.

3. Kathy Kollenburn shared a venue in Rockwood which is looking for art. She passed this information to Pamela for further action.

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4. It was suggested by Cindy Lenig Cossu that we have a discussion at the next meeting regarding additional promotional ideas for the longer shows next year.
5. Everyone was encouraged to bring the procedure binders to the next meeting so we could review and adopt the policies.
6. Guest Samuel Turner mentioned that he would like a better understanding of the review process of submissions, which brought up the mentoring by Cindy program to be addressed at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.
The next meeting is scheduled for Oct 6.

Respectfully submitted:
Kay Nolan
Recording Secretary