

Public Art Committee
Wednesday, January 9, 2013
7:00pm

Cultural Arts Classroom, Lafayette Public Library

Minutes

Present: Laura Mays, Chair; Pam Sherrick, Treasurer; Alan Crandall, Stacey Bernstein, Ashley Dzilvelis; Melissa Fathman; Sandy Bonel; Tiffany Choate; Susan Booker, City Liaison

Absent: Carol Park

Public Participation: None

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm.

1. Public Participation: None
2. Minutes of the December 12, 2012 meeting - **Motion by Pam Sherrick to approve minutes. Laura Mays seconds. Motion approved.**
3. **Overview of Cultural Resources Calendar 2013.** Susan Booker introduced the 2013 Cultural Resources Calendar and Responsibilities Chart (attached), described in detail the projects and work flow for the year.

General discussion and clarification regarding the projects i.e., what is being done and what still needs to be done.

4. **Update on “Imagination” purchase.** Susan Booker discussed the possibility of the Friends of the Lafayette Public Library Foundation (“Friends”) making a contribution towards the purchase of “Imagination”. Friends would receive recognition on the plaque on or near the sculpture in exchange. Friends are generally interested but may have a few questions before the contribution is made. In the meantime, Susan Booker will pay Lucas Loeffler for the sculpture.

There was additional discussion concerning a press release with the local paper as a way to advertise for and encourage public donations towards the purchase of “Imagination”. It was agreed that Alan will discuss the press release with the Lafayette Hometown Weekly and Susan Booker will talk to Rachel Hansen about drafting the press release. Tiffany and Pam will discuss sign possibilities with Bobby, owner of Eats & Sweets.

5. **Update on 2013 AOTS and See and Respond!** General discussion regarding the placement / locations of the sculptures.

Discussion about the possibility of acquiring an additional sculpture for AOTS i.e. “Recliner” by Anne Shutan. It was decided we should wait until next year to and then reconsider “Recliner” for AOTS if Anne submits it again. Booker is working on the artist contracts and will be having a meeting with Public Works to discuss the installation of the sculptures. Booker is working with the See and Respond! sub-committee to identify who the judges will be for See & Respond! The reception is

scheduled to take place at the library on August 2, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. It has been decided that it will be advantageous to combine the AOTS Meet the Artists reception with See and Respond!

General discussion concerning the "People Choice Award" and whether to include a "Kids Choice Award". The subcommittee will be making the final decisions on the awards to be given.

Rachel Hansen and Susan Booker are working on the procedure, print materials and brochures. The "Call for Entries" for See and Respond! will be sent out in April.

6. **Update on "Surveying our Future"** Booker announced that the family of Jean Mellblom is interested in requesting memorial donations in Jean's honor be made to the Public Art Committee and identified towards the completion of the "Surveying Our Future" project.

Melissa Fathman discussed the specifics of the NEA Grant Application and how we might expand the size/scope of the Surveying Our Future project to make the project more attractive to the NEA organization. Melissa and Booker are continuing to evaluate the best project to be the focus of this grant request.

7. **Reports**

Chair: Laura - No update.

Staff: Booker - Lafayette resident, arts advocate and community activist, Jean Mellblom passed away in early January. Booker remembers her with great fondness and appreciation for her contributions to the arts in Lafayette.

Treasurer: Pam - No update.

LCAC: Stacey - No update.

ARTS!Lafayette: Alan - Technology, volunteers and coordinating with Art Night Out were the main subjects of conversation at the recent ARTS!Lafayette Board Meeting. Chris Berry, former Mayor of Lafayette, has joined the Board. In order to make sure the groups are working in a collaborative way in their fundraising efforts frequent communication between ARTS!Lafayette and the City arts committees is essential.

8. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, February 13, 2013 7:00pm.
Agenda items: 2013 Budget adoption,
9. **Motion by Alan Crandall to adjourn. Pam Sherrick seconds. Motion Approved.**
10. **Adjournment:** 8:55pm

Approved Laura Mays, Chair

Submitted by Sandra Bonel, Acting Secretary