



**ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION
MINUTES
SEQUIM CIVIC CENTER
Burkett Community Meeting Room
152 West Cedar Street, Sequim WA
March 18, 2019
3:00 p.m.**

Present:

Members: Ross Brown, Sharon Delabarre, Suzanne Horne, Carole Neidhardt, Craig Robinson

Staff Liaisons: Cyndi Hueth, Karen Kuznek-Reese

Associate Members: Susan Molin, Susan Shaw

Student Liaison/Associate Member: Katie Potter

Guests: Randy Radock, OPAA, Jason Loihle, Staff/Parks Board

Excused: Jake Reichner, Member; William Armacost, Council Liaison

Agenda Item

1. Introductions

2. Minutes:

- a. November 19, 2018 approved by consensus.
- b. January 22, 2019 approved by consensus with correction to ATAW reference.
- c. February 21, 2019 Annual Retreat approved by consensus.

3. Comments, Public:

- Randy Radock talked about the OPAA show/fundraiser in May that will be held in the Council Chambers, and they were told they couldn't have live music in the lobby during their event. Karen explained that the People's Project will be taking place at the same time as well as the Police Exhibit in the lobby. Members suggested musicians set up inside the Council Chambers on the platform where Council Members sit.
- Randy asked if the CAAC has ever been approached to do a mural outside on the gray walls. Response was that the CAAC inquired about doing a mural but were denied by the City Manager at that time.
- Randy mentioned that the OPAA gives out scholarships to art students.
- Jason Loihle spoke about the four excess benches in storage, and asked if the CAAC may be interested in adding an artistic element to the benches to be installed in the Botanical Gardens at Carrie Blake. He also shared about the proposed water bottle filling stations taking on a more artistic look, particularly the one for Seal Street Park. CAAC members confirmed their interest and appreciated Jason including the CAAC. Karen stated we need to know the origins of the benches to make sure they aren't designated for a specific purpose by a donor.

4. Reports:

a. Chair

- i. Sharon reminded all that we need to fill the vacant position on the CAAC, and that candidates must live in the city limits. We could ask the City Council to change the ordinance for candidates living in the city limits to "living in city limits, or owning a business within city limits."
- ii. April is the CAAC's 5th Anniversary. Sharon has been the Chair since its inception and more than two terms. Sharon asked all members to consider stepping up to an officer's position. We will elect officers at the April meeting.

b. Arts Coordinator

- i. Cyndi clarified that the "bench expense" in CAAC's 2018 expense summary were for building kiosks for the ODT, per Sue Hagener. Action: Cyndi inquire how to reverse that expense as CAAC wasn't involved with the kiosks.

- ii. People's Project in May (public voting on how to spend the City's budget for certain elements) – CAAC proposes including a splash pad in the civic center plaza, and artistic enhancements to Seal Street improvements. An additional item could be arts & cultural workshops that benefit the public (art, culinary, etc.).
- iii. Laurel Herrera would like to give a free ballet in the plaza on Sat., August 31st. It would be a 30-minute Peter and the Wolf. CAAC referred Laurel to the Open Market Director to coordinate space.
- iv. Subcommittee meetings including juried meetings are open to the public and subject to the Open Public Meetings Act; therefore, we need to post agendas, meeting notices and minutes on our website.
- c. Financial/Budget – Budget: \$53,387.92; Balance as of 2/28/19: \$49,776.35.
- d. Sunshine Festival (March 2020) – Sharon and Ross will attend the committee meeting on March 22nd. The CAAC would like to have an art project during the festival. Ross presented ideas for a light-theme festival.
- e. Fundraising Committee – Sharon reviewed the notes from the committee's proposed "Ground Hog Eve" Celebration event in February 2020. There was a motion to proceed with planning this event, and the motion was approved.
- f. Parks Board – Ross distributed examples of the roles art could play in three park activities:
 - 1. On the topic of a "tree city" and Arbor Day
 - 2. On the topic of a bike-friendly city
 - 3. Drinking fountains in the park

5. Unfinished Business

- a. February First Friday – Kudos given to Suzanne Horne for planning the first Open Jam Session on March 1st which was a huge success!
 - i. ATAW – Ideas for next exhibit, "The Beach" – suggested ideas were: Mary Beth Beuke (Sea Glass), a culinary guest focusing on seafood, and the Driftwood Sculptors. Sharon asked members to email Susan M. with additional ideas for speakers.
- b. Outdoor Sculptures – Ross needs to purchase the materials to build the bases.
- c. Arts Conversation, March 21st – Sharon reviewed the agenda and asked all to attend.
- d. 2019 Exhibit Schedule – Sharon spoke to the plans for the June Student Show. We will issue a Call for Entries from students in the 7th through 12th grades, and will ask Katie Potter to distribute the information to students. Since graduation is on June 7th (First Friday), we will have a preview exhibit and reception on Friday, May 31st.
- e. Block Party, Friday, August 2nd – Sharon suggested we identify the scope for this year's Block Party as we agreed to keep it simple during the Annual Retreat. All agreed we would have a band, food and beverage, one children's activity (possibly rock painting), a flash mob, and an artist doing a live painting during the music (Craig Robinson, or a group of artists).
- f. Music in the Park - Susan M. has scheduled 95% of dates with bands. One band is asking for an additional \$100 to cover the fee for a soundman; however, each group is to handle their own sound requirements. Ross recommends we budget an additional \$100/group for sound needs. The only date the Navy Band Northwest could plan was June 18th, and all agreed we could add the extra week to start the season June 18th.

6. New Business

- a. Review Annual Retreat Goals ~ tabled but refer to minutes.
 - i. Who do you know? – turn in lists to Cyndi; to be used for prospective sponsors.
- b. Irrigation Festival shared booth on Sat., May 4th – Cyndi will provide a booth schedule.
- c. Theme for 2019 Holiday Tree Ornaments – Sharon proposed we use the same theme of "Nature's Creatures, Real or Mythical", motion was approved.

7. Public Comments (*Please limit comments to 3 minutes.*)

2019 First Friday Events	
January 4	July 5
Go Figure Opening & ATAW	The Beach Opening & ATAW
February 1	August 2
Go Figure	The Beach & Annual Block Party
March 1	September 6
Go Figure & Premiere Open Jam	The Beach & TBD
April 5	October 4
Audubon	Tie One On Opening & ATAW
May 3	November 1
Police Exhibit	Tie One On & TBD
June 7	December 6
Student Show	Tie One On & Annual Holiday Tree Lighting