



MINUTES

OXFORD PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION OF OXFORD

Municipal Building 15 South College Ave. Oxford, Ohio 45056 First Floor Conference Room

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2023 AT 4:30 PM

Approval of Agenda

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The Public Arts Commission of Oxford (PACO) members attending the Tuesday, August 8th meeting were Amber Franklin, Carole Katz, Joe Squance, and Tarah Trueblood. Assistant City Manager, Jessica Greene was there as staff liaison.

Motion: Carole Katz

2nd Joe Squance

Vote: Unanimous

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of the June 13, 2023, meeting.

Old Business

New Business

Student Interns

Brief discussion of the need to have student interns support PACO during the 2023/2024 academic year. Jessica Greene noted that she felt she could get student interns to support PACO initiatives but that they might not be able to attend PACO meetings due to class conflicts.

Scheduling of Future Meetings

The commission discussed the need to reschedule our regular meeting time for the rest of 2023 in order to accommodate shifts in PACO members' schedules. Heather Barbour will send out a Doodle poll to find the best time to meet.

1. Introduction of new PACO member Tarah Trueblood

Welcome New PACO Member

Ms. Tarah Trueblood was newly appointed to PACO. She was welcomed to the commission and had an opportunity to introduced herself to those in attendance.

2. Discussion of municipal building call for art

Municipal Building Call for Art 2023

PACO members discussed the structure of the 2023 Municipal Building Call for Art. We decided that the call would mirror last year's format. Artists who submitted art for the 2022 call should submit new art if they respond to the 2023 call for art. Jessica will work with Ashley to advertise the call. Timeline will mirror last year's timeline. Jurying of art in November by PACO and Robert Mullenix from OCAC or other OCAC member. Installation in December and opening reception in January to coincide with 2nd Fridays at OCAC. Jessica will contact OCAC to make sure we can use the same insurance policy that allows artwork to be displayed for up to 12 months.

3. Ox Chalks the Walks - Aug 12th

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The commission discussed supporting OCAC's Ox Chalks the Walks event to take place on August 12th, 2023. Amber Franklin said she would attend.

4. 2024 PACO grant program for public art

Discussion of 2024 PACO Grant Program for Public Art

The commission discussed leveraging our annual budget allotment in 2024 to support a large public art project that would have greater impact in Oxford, such as a small mural. The commission also discussed asking for more funds from the city in future years for a larger mural. Discussions centered around a long term project possibly in conjunction with international bee muralist, Matt Willey. Such a project would require a prominent location in the city, and 1 to 2 years of coalition work to educate the public about bees, pollinators, and Oxford's history regarding the modern beehive and father of beekeeping, Lorenzo Langstroth. We discussed possible city, community, and university stakeholders who would be included in this effort. Jessica Greene mentioned a tool called Balancing Act that can be used to get public feedback on public art locations.

Adjournment

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Motion: Tarah Trueblood

2nd Carole Katz

Vote: Unanimous