



MINUTES
OXFORD PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION OF OXFORD
BCRTA CHESTNUT STREET STATION
97 WEST CHESTNUT STREET
OXFORD, OHIO 45056
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026 AT 5:30 PM

Approval of Agenda

Members Present: Amber Franklin, Bob Benson, Joe Squance, Carole Katz, Bobbe Burke

Staff Liaison: Jessica Greene & Ashley Keeton

Approval of Agenda:

First: Bob

Second: Carole

Approved

Approval of Minutes

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First: Bobbe

Second: Bob

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1. Minutes from the January 12th, 2026 Meeting

New Business

Updates not listed on the agenda:

- The commission would like a booklet with all Haiku On Ice selections
- Coming down the pipeline will be a survey on the value of art in communities that is being conducted by a Miami University class which PACO and the City will help to promote.

1. Amtrak Platform Project Mural Discussion

Commissioners discussed the upcoming Amtrak Platform Project. They were informed of a general timeline, and everyone took a field trip to the future location of the mural. Some potential problems to stay ahead of for this project could be the narrow walkway that leads past the mural, as well as the lighting.

The Commission would like to try a different Call for Art, where we request qualifications and an artist would submit a mood board and examples of their body of work. An artist would be selected and would then work with PACO and potentially representatives of our community to develop the final design. The goal is to have the RFQ finalized in April/May.

2. Duke Mural Project Update

The Duke Mural Subcommittee gave an update on a visit to the Miami Mural class where they were shown sketches. The class had great questions for the commissioners, and the commissioners got to play with parachute cloth, which is one of the ways the mural will be installed on the Duke Substation wall, along with paint directly onto the wall.

The class decided on the theme of seasons for the mural with lots of movement and nature scenes. Amber clarified that the theme would be abstract and not literal.

3. Oxford Parking Garage Mural Update

Quick update on the Parking Garage Mural: Volute, the engineering firm who will be executing the official installation drawings, is planning on coming to the site soon to do their assessment.

4. Toni Morrison Celebration Update

Updates on this project:

The plan is to have two Calls for Art. One for visual elements for the 2nd Friday Celebration of the Arts in September at the Oxford Community Arts Center. Then a more broad call for other forms of art (oral, performance, etc), which would be showcased during a Salon show at the OCAC in September, as well.

The Lane Library has selected Sula as a community read — details finalized at a later date.

5. Oxford Municipal Building Art Exhibit — Reception Planning

Commissioners finalized details for the art reception to showcase the new year of artwork at the Municipal Building.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn at 6:27 PM

First: Bob

Second: Amber

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