

Beaverton Arts Commission Board Minutes July 15, 2008

Call To Order by Andrew Loomis at 6:35 PM.

Attendance:

Jayne Scott, Andrew Loomis, Laura Rawlins, Dennis Doyle, Kevin Hoover, Don Scorby, Melia Donovan, Ano Youssefian, Joel Schultz and Michael Heart.

Eva Nunez, Diana Sullivan, Stephen Thompson, Joyce Kurtz, & Linda Aleskus were excused absences.

The group approved the June 2008 minutes (moved by Kevin, 2nd by Don) and the approval of the June 2008 Treasurer's Report was postponed since Diana was on vacation.

Guest Speaker/Matthew Stadler:

Matthew discussed his work as a journalist and his current work & book about the origins of cities (specifically the Beaverton area) and the "Zwischenstadt" or "in-between city" of western North America. He discussed the upcoming events in early October and sought the BAC's help in connecting with the appropriate people for event to be held in Beaverton. Jayne provide Matthew with some printed material and noted where on the City web site he could locate the application forms. The BAC also recommended that he could use the Kingstad Center for other related events.

Matthew noted that his book would be available in early September and that he would make copies available to the BAC.

Matthew also discussed artists Stephanie Synder (who was not in attendance) need for exhibition space in Beaverton. Several suggestions were made and he thanked the group for their help.

Jayne later distributed some additional information about Matthew for the group's reading pleasure.

Mural Update:

Jayne updated the group on progress to date and submissions. We have received only one submission and it was requested that the artist provide a more complete description of their proposal prior to consideration.

It was also discussed if the BAC should commission an artist, the status of grants and matching funds for this project.

Summer Program Updates:

Jayne reviewed the upcoming events and passed around a master sign up sheet for the group to update.

Fall/Winter Program Updates:

Jayne reviewed the upcoming events and the group discussed these events and use of the Library. It was asked that a member of the library attend a future meeting so that we could get clarification on the restriction of the facility.

2009 Showcase Updates:

Jayne noted that the Gala Opening would be held on February 7th and the Showcase would be open from February 8th through the 21st. Based on comments from Michael, there was discussion of adding an elementary kid level segment to the showcase. Should this work be juried (yes)? Would we have another ethnic group like we did last year (maybe)?

We will continue this discussion at the next meeting in August.

Committee Updates:

- Development Committee. No chair has been appointed and there are two co-chairs at this time (who were not present). Updates will be sought at the next meeting.
- Outreach Committee. Michael noted that his goal was to have the Speakers Bureau launch its efforts starting October 1st. The goal is to have 4-6 trained board members who can take the PowerPoint presentation to various venues to spread the word about the BAC and to recruit volunteers. Michael also noted that we should use past board members of the BAC in this effort.
- Volunteer Committee. Michael noted that he would take on the initial responsibility as a Volunteer Coordinator while the group explored finding somebody to take this on full time. Stephen had noted he knew somebody who had just left such a position recently that may be able to help direct the board in this effort and Kevin volunteered to help as he does similar work for another organization. Kevin will forward his contact at the Beaverton Police Department so that Michael could gain some insight as to what is involved with managing such a group. Jayne noted that we have a list of over 200 volunteers. Michael also suggested the board host a Volunteer Appreciation event in the future. This process will be discussed at future board meetings. Laura will send Jayne the link to a Yahoo group named Synergy that provides a forum for discussion regarding volunteers.

New Business:

Jayne distributed copies of the two recent formal Requests for Proposal (RFP):

- Public Art Consultants
- Development Consultants

Jayne will share the responses to these two RFP's at future meetings.

Dinner for June Board Meeting:

The group thanked Joel for this evening's food and Melia has volunteered to provide food for August's meeting.

Topics for next meeting:

Discussion on proposed Performing Arts Center for the Westgate Project.

Discussion of the minutes from the July 8th Joint meeting with the BAF.

Add a note for a monthly review of the Long Range Plan

2009 Showcase

A reminder for the committees to:

- Review 2nd year work plans for goals & objectives
- Establishment of regular meetings times
- Election of a chairperson and recording secretary
- Please send all minutes to Jayne.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Next meeting is August 19th @ 6:30 PM