

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:20PM

Members present: Marsha Carrington, Robin Lloyd, Adam Ramsdell, Brian Stanley (chairman), Jordan Sternberg, Martha Wikel

Ex-Officio Members present: Michelle Newell, McKenzie Spriggs

Absent: Cable Steinemann, Blake Harris, Chris Parthemore, Shawn Daley

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion of Jordan Sternberg and a second of Marha Carrington, the minutes of May 20, 2021 were approved. The group signified by saying aye. The Chairman declared the minutes passed.

CURRENT BUSINESS

Sandusky City Hall Gallery

McKenzie Spriggs presented artists/pieces who scored 75 or above, from the selection committee. There were 32 pieces who received a score of roughly 75 points (scores of 74.X were also included in the list). She distributed a list to the committee members in person, and showed a list on the screen.

Michelle Newell provided some background to the selection committee. They scored art out of 100 points, based on a handful of criteria— fitting the theme, appropriateness in a public space, etc. The group of Tondra Frisby, Michelle Newell and Martha Wikel met in person, they went through the art together but did not make it through all the pieces. Cable Steinemann wanted to score his separate from the group.

Brian Stanley asked if we are looking to accept the list of 30+ pieces as is, or further narrow the list down for art to be shown in City Hall. An appropriate next step might be to see how much space there is in City Hall, and how many pieces can be accommodated, if the selection committee wishes to support all 27 art pieces (with scores over 75).

Marsha Carrington said an artist's work was submitted that was not received by the selection committee. Ken Arthurs work was submitted on time and McKenzie Spriggs did not include it for the selection committee.

McKenzie Spriggs dug through her email and confirmed that was the case.

Brian Stanley said he would like the selection committee to view his art and be able to score it, ahead of the larger committee.

Jordan Sternberg seconded deciding how much space is available.

McKenzie Spriggs said it was not likely that all 27 pieces would fit in the allotted space. She presented a slideshow of art pieces that received an average score of over 75 points.

There was a general feeling of overwhelm with the 30+ pieces. There was a discussion about 75 being the equivalent of a "C" in school. Do we want to present "C" level work in this gallery? Should we bring the top 10 in for the next committee? Can we determine the amount of wall space and approximately how many pieces the gallery can accommodate?

Brian Stanley asked the selection committee to reconvene, assess the Ken Arthur pieces, and narrow down their recommendation to the larger committee.

McKenzie Spriggs and Michelle Newell said they would have a two part meeting, narrowing down the art and measuring it for the wall. So when it comes before the arts commission again, all the pieces will fit.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

New Planner: Arin Blair

McKenzie Spriggs shared that the city has hired a new Chief Planner who will be assuming the art responsibilities. Arin Blair knows Sandusky intimately, as she worked on the downtown Sandusky master plan that came out earlier this year, and owns property in Sandusky. She will be at the next meeting in July.

Brian Stanley said he would be happy to meet with her and bring her up to speed, with McKenzie Spriggs.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Robin Lloyd and a second of Jordan Sternberg, the meeting adjourned at 5:48PM. The Chairman declared the motion passed.

Attest: McKenzie Spriggs, Clerk
Date: 7 / 20 / 21

Brian Stanley, Chairperson
Date: 7 / 20 / 21