

Dunedin Arts & Cultural Advisory Committee Minutes  
April 26, 2019

Chair Jackie Nigro called the meeting of the Arts & Cultural Advisory Committee to order at 8:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Planning Dept.

Members present: Jackie Nigro, Carol Bickford, Arielle Giordano, Pat Long, Vincent Luisi, Steve Spathelf and Bryan Voliton. Alternate: Ray Bouchard  
Excused absence: Karen Rader  
Unexcused absence: Simeon Liebman  
Liaison: Patricia Snair  
Guests: Elizabeth Brincklow, David Ring

Pat Long made the motion to accept the minutes of March 22, 2019 and Steve seconded.

Chair Comments: Jackie thanked Carol Bickford for her 9 years as a member of the Arts and Culture Committee, and for her dedicated work as the secretary to the Committee; the members applauded Carol with their appreciation. Chair informed that Lael would not be attending this meeting. Jackie read the Committee letter to Alicia Garcia-Fritzch in support of the mural on the side of the Best Western and Harbor Inn. Painting will start on Monday next. The *Behind the Wall B & B* is the first project to contribute to the PAMP funding. SPACEcraft, the Creative Pinellas mobile art project, is behind schedule.

Vincent Luisi submitted his letter of resignation to the Committee. Pat made the motion to accept Ray Bouchard in his place and Steve seconded. Steve made the motion to accept Mary Childs as the new alternate and Bryan seconded. Both motions passed unanimously.

Construction for the Courtyard on Main is supposed to start on May 1 which means the parking lot in that location will be closed. Jackie had no progress to report on the property on Monroe.

Imagine in Stone: Jackie read the letter she wrote to the Commission regarding *Imagine in Stone*. Carol stated she had visited the studio to view the sculpture and reported that she talked with C. Fulton, the artist. Our main objection to the sculpture was that it was not as presented in the sketch. Ms. Fulton said it was not intended to be an exact replica. Ms. Fulton told Carol that she had copied the sketch from another artist and presented it as an example of what she intended to do. The design was proprietary and if she had copied it exactly it would have been an infringement. Elizabeth said she reviewed the video of the original presentation to the Commission and the conditions of the original presentation have not been addressed. Issues include receipt of a structural engineer drawing, the costs to be fully flushed out for items and research on the self-insurance aspect and Americans with Disabilities Act and compliance in conjunction with the surrounding area of the sculpture.

Art Location Map: Simeon is working with Forward Pinellas. Intended layers of the map will include galleries such as Sterling Commons and both private and public artwork. Elizabeth reported that, for now, the education component promoting the Public Art Collection will be accomplished with a downloadable PDF file

SPACEcraft: Bryan reported the concept has changed slightly to include interactive spaces in addition to stationary artworks. There will be two shipping containers where children and parents can create clay and other art forms. Bryan is working on promoting the project which will begin in Oldsmar. The Dunedin location will be Highland Park rather than Weaver Park.

Highland Games: Pat reported that this year's Highland Games were the largest ever with over 6,000 people attending. Bands and dancers came from all over the world. There was a large march with bands, golf carts wearing kilts and other participants. The Chieftain for the 2020 Games will be the current Provost of Stirling, Scotland. The Scottish Arts Foundation is now working on the Celtic Festival.

Drama/Dance Program: Arielle is interested in creating a Dunedin Dance Festival and requested help in outlining a program. Several people gave her suggestions.

Historic Preservation: Vinnie reported that in March the Commission approved the Historic Preservation Ordinance which can be found on the City Website. Any home older than 50 years may be considered. Criteria includes the building use and whether historic figures play a part in the building. The first designated historic site will be the Scottish American Society Building.

Pinellas County has a list of historic buildings which include Andrews Chapel and the state of Florida also has a list which includes White Chapel in Palm Harbor. Some buildings in Dunedin have already been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Vinnie also informed that the state Legislature is voting on the budget this week. The budget is the highest it has ever been although funds allotted for the arts are the lowest.

PAMP: Elizabeth said she will make a presentation to the City Commission on July 9. She showed a power point presentation listing completed and current projects. She discussed the two Condition Reports — the train station bronze statues titled "All Aboard" and the *Give Me Shelter* Bus Stop. She also discussed the conservation estimates for "All Aboard," "Bounce," "Remembrance," and "Sun Sentries." Artistic signal box wraps and artistic benches for Hubbard Park are projects under consideration. She is producing two one-sheet instruction guides for private developers. She also discussed suggestions for new funding streams for public art such as Blue Jays game day posters.

Announcements/ Public Comments:

May 4 – Mothers Day Tea at the Dunedin Golf Club, fundraiser for DFAC

May 6 – Cinco de Mayo

Student/Faculty/Members Show currently at DFAC

Sunscreen Film Festival started yesterday and will go throughout the weekend.

Ray announced that the state Senate has a bill to recreate tax incentives for the film industry.

Dunedin History Museum will have an exhibit on the cultural history of tattoo art.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m. Jackie announced the meeting dates for the remainder of 2019: May 31, June 28, August 23, September 27, October 25 and December 6.ord

Carol Bickford, Secretary