



ARTS AND HUMANITIES COMMISSION MINUTES

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Tuesday, October 12, 2021

6:30 p.m.

Rowlett Public Library - 3900 Main Street

- 1) Meeting called to order by Chair Deborah Crosby at 6:37 p.m. and determined a quorum was present.
Members present: Deborah Crosby, Jeffery Winget, JR Forasteros, Kate Voor, Elizabeth Swagerty, Katie Crenshaw, and David Olmstead
Members absent: Gary Alexander, Laura Keasling, and Theresa Zicolello
Council Liaison Present: N/A
Staff present: Laura Tschoerner, Library Services Director; Lisa Watt, Senior Administrative Assistant
Visitors Present: Artist JD Moore and AJ Jackson
 - 2) Chair selects voting alternate(s), if necessary.
Alternate Elizabeth Swagerty selected as voting member for Gary Alexander.
Alternate Dave Olmstead selected as voting member for Jeff Winget.
Alternate Katie Crenshaw selected as voting member for Neslie Fudge.
 - 3) Citizens' Input
 - a) There was no citizen input for this meeting.
 - 4) Election of Chair and Vice-Chair
 - a) Deborah C. was nominated for Chair by Elizabeth S. and seconded by JR F. Deborah C. accepted the nomination. Approved 8, with 1 abstention.
 - b) Gary A. was nominated for Vice-Chair by Elizabeth S. and seconded by JR F. Gary A. was approved unanimously by members present.
- Jeff W. arrived at 6:42 p.m.
- 5) Mural on Highway 66 estimates from JD Moore
 - a) JD Moore, Artist, was asked to give an approximation of what it would cost to revamp the Highway 66 Mural. A conservative cost for the 12 Ft x 814 Feet wall would be around \$15.00 per square foot.
 - b) The Arts and Humanities Commission will present the estimated cost to City Council to see if the City would want to move forward on the project.
 - 6) Consider approving minutes from previous meeting held on September 14, 2021, and special work session held October 9, 2021.
 - a) A motion was made by JR F. to accept the minutes for September 14, 2021, meeting minutes as written; seconded by Elizabeth S. Motion approved unanimously of those members present.
 - b) A motion was made by JR F. to accept the minutes for October 9, 2021, special work session meeting minutes as written; seconded by Elizabeth S. Motion approved unanimously of those members present.



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7) Review updates and take possible action on standing committee reports:

a. Calendar

- i. Calendar Committee will submit images to the printer. A digital review of the calendar will be at the next Arts and Humanities Commission meeting.
- ii. Kate V. to pick-up digital images for 2022 calendar from Laura T. and work with printer on design and deadlines.

b. CAG and AIE Grants

- i. Grant Committee to review the 2022 applications for any changes.
- ii. Laura T. will update website with application and publish on 10/15/2021.

c. Young Artist Exhibit (YAE)

- i. Deborah C. to review Young Artist Exhibit webpage for any updates.

d. Writing Contest

- i. Children will be able to participate in the 2022 Writing Contest.
- ii. The Arts and Humanities Commission and Library will collaborate on promoting the children's writing contest.

e. Rowlett Sings

- i. The Chamber of Commerce reserved the conference room for Saturday, 4/9/2022, to download the recordings.
- ii. The RCC reserved rooms A, B, and C for Friday, 4/29/2022 for setup; and rooms A, B, C and D, for all day performances on Saturday, 4/30/2022.
- iii. Drew to film performance on Saturday, 4/30/2022.

f. Artists Exchange

- i. JR F. will give update at next meeting.

8) Discuss current and future public art projects.

a) Public art plan and selecting future art.

- i) Jeff W. reviewed the history with new members.
- ii) At the direction of City Council, the Arts and Humanities Commission will develop a Public Art and Maintenance plan.

b) Artwork at Fire Station #2

- i) The Public Art Committee will meet with Chief Howard to discuss the type of monument to represent the Rowlett Fire Department at the Fire Station #2.



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- c) Mural on Highway 66
 - i) Arts and Humanities Commission to present to City Council an estimate to update the Highway 66 Mural and ask for direction on going forward with the project.
 - d) Yarn art project
 - i) The yarn art project will be discussed at next meeting.
- 9) Final review and possible approval of FY2022 workplan
 - a) A motion was made by Kate V. to accept the FY2022 work plan; seconded by Katie C. Motion approved unanimously of those members present.
- 10) Public Announcements. Members of the Board or Commission and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events. No member of the board or commission may discuss nor take any action with regard to the announcements.
 - a) Trunk or Treat will be at the RCC/Wetzone parking area on 10/30/2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Volunteers must wear PPE during the event.
 - b) Farmers Market is still taking place in downtown Rowlett.
 - c) Rowlett High School to host recycling on Saturday, November 4, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Amount to recycle is limited to 2 bags and items can be computers, DVD's, cd's, etc....
- 11) Members of the Board or Commission may request topics for **future agenda meetings**. No member of the board or commission may discuss any of the requested subjects until such matter has been properly placed on a posted agenda.
- Call to order
 - Chair selects voting alternate(s), if necessary
 - Citizens' Input
 - Consider approving minutes from previous meeting held on October 12, 2021
 - Review updates and take possible action on standing committee reports:
 - Calendar
 - CAG and AIE Grants
 - Young Artist Exhibit (YAE)
 - Writing Contest
 - Rowlett Sings
 - Artists Exchange
 - Publicity
 - Discuss current and future public art projects.
 - Public art plan and selecting future art
 - Artwork at Fire Station #2
 - Christmas City Event



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- Yarn art project
- Public Announcements
- Future Agenda Items
- Adjourn

11) Adjourn

- a. Chair adjourned meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Approved by the Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission:

Almorah L Crosby
Signature

11/9/2021
Date