



**City Of Kingston
Arts Advisory Committee
Meeting Number 05-2018
Confirmed Minutes
Thursday, June 14, 2018
9:00 a.m., Councillors' Lounge, City Hall**

Members Present

Jane Karges; Chair
Tricia Baldwin
Bob Brooks
Kyle Holleran
Jocelyn Purdie
Karma Tomm

Members Absent

Councillor Candon
Councillor Neill
Cathie Hamilton
Danika Lochhead
Ashleigh McKeil

Staff Present

Taylor Norris, Public Art Coordinator
Derek Ochej, Committee Clerk
Heather Woodland, Administrative Assistant, Cultural Services

Members of the public were present

Meeting to Order

Ms. Karges, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Mr. Holleran
Seconded by Mr. Brooks

That the agenda be amended to add Business item d), a discussion regarding the appointment of public members to the Poet Laureate Working Group, and as amended, be approved.

Carried

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Ms. Tomm
Seconded by Mr. Brooks

That the Minutes of the Arts Advisory Committee meeting Number 04-2018 held Thursday, May 10, 2018 be approved.

Carried

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were none.

Delegations

- a) Georgina Riel was present to speak to the Committee regarding participation on the Arts Advisory Committee by Indigenous artists.

Ms. Riel discussed the barriers that exist within the current Committee structure for Indigenous artists that may wish to serve on the Committee. She stated that one interested person in particular does not speak English as their first language and would require assistance with translation into their primary language. Ms. Riel stated that she would be willing to provide assistance in this matter in order to ensure participation from the interested artist.

Ms. Karges inquired if hosting Committee meetings at a location outside of City Hall would be helpful. Ms. Riel stated that the colonial structure of the meetings and the overall climate of buildings such as City Hall can be an impediment to Indigenous artists from stepping forward and serving on the Committee.

Ms. Baldwin suggested that a space be created within City Hall that is more welcoming to Indigenous peoples. Ms. Woodland stated that Cultural Services staff is considering ways to make City Hall more welcoming for all people as part of renovations to the Market Wing of City Hall.

Ms. Riel discussed the educational benefit of arts programming when it is integrated within aspects of all educational streams. She stated that it is important to share these benefits with the broader Indigenous community.

Ms. Karges thanked Ms. Riel for speaking with the Committee and for providing her insights on the topic.

Briefings

There were none.

Business

a) Working Group updates

i. Public Art Working Group

Ms. Norris provided the Committee with an overview of the Working Group update.

Ms. Baldwin sought further details regarding the active citizenship project. Ms. Norris stated that the active citizenship project is focused on the municipal election and encouraging civic participation in municipal government through voting.

Ms. Karges inquired about the call for entries process for the active citizenship project. Ms. Norris stated that the call for entries processed leveraged existing contact lists and partner organizations such as the Kingston Arts Council.

ii. Professional Development Working Group

Ms. Karges provided the Committee with an overview of the Working Group update.

Ms. Baldwin advised the Committee that the goal of the Working Group had been refined in order to develop a more inclusive view of professional development and to coordinate research within other strategic planning initiatives.

Ms. Karges stated that the next Working Group meeting would see the research gathered amalgamated into a survey, with a goal of distributing the survey by the end of the summer.

- b)** Appointment of public members to the Mayor's Arts Awards Nominations Working Group

Moved by Ms. Baldwin
Seconded by Ms. Purdie

That Alex Jansen and Dave Coon be appointed as public members to the Mayor's Arts Awards Nominations Working Group, with a term expiring on November 30, 2018.

Carried

- c)** Discussion regarding Arts Advisory Committee Nominations

Ms. Tomm stated that it would be important to soon begin discussing the recruitment process with members of the public interested in serving on the Committee.

- d)** Discussion regarding appointment of public members to the Poet Laureate Working Group

Ms. Karges stated that the Working Group members should reach out to the current Poet Laureate to inquire if she would be interested in serving on the Working Group. Ms. Woodland stated that she could reach out to Helen Humphreys on behalf of the Working Group.

Ms. Karges advised the Committee that she had received some suggestions from Ms. Lochhead regarding potential appointments to the Working Group, specifically Marilyn Simonds, Iain Reid and Diane Schoemperlen.

Ms. Karges spoke to the importance of ensuring cultural diversity within the membership of the Working Group.

In response to a question from Ms. Tomm, Ms. Woodland provided the Committee with an overview of the timeline for the completion of the Working Group's mandate.

Motions

There were none.

Notices of Motion

There were none.

Other Business

Ms. Baldwin advised the Committee of the upcoming Festival of live digital Art.

Mr. Brooks advised the Committee of the Domino Theatre's one-act play festival.

Correspondence

There was none.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Arts Advisory Committee is scheduled for Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Brooks
Seconded by Mr. Holleran

That the meeting of the Arts Advisory Committee adjourns at 10:12 a.m.

Carried