



MEETING MINUTES - SNOHOMISH COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

MEETING DATE: Monday, December 18, 2023 6:30 PM

Visitors are invited to attend virtually at the link below:

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: 6:37PM Nicole Ng-A-Qui, Chair, Kari Johnson, Kate MacKenzie, David Lotz, Lia Blanchard, Jaym Gates, Sharon Swan, Staff

II. MINUTES APPROVAL- November Meeting Minutes are not yet available. Will vote to approve November minutes in January.

III. Update from Sharon Swan

Nicole: Let's plan a retreat to discuss the restructuring of our workplan

Kari would like clarification from legal about the parameters on exactly how our grants eligibility needs to change.

Sharon will make a request from the legal department to provide detailed parameters at our January meeting (ADD THIS TO THE AGENDA).

Kate would like to know how the retreat is going to get organized.

Nicole suggests a February retreat so that staff has ample time to get provide the needed legal clarification.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Nicole Ng-A-Qui, Chair - mission statement, event supplies box

1. GWOT Memorial

Jeremy not present. No updates from Sharon.

2. Cultural Access:

- a. ***"The Snohomish County Arts Commission endorses the underlying premise of Cultural Access Program legislation (HB 1575), that culture plays a significant role in the economic well-being of the State and its counties. As evidenced by the recent passing of King County's Doors Open legislation, the Commission recommends that we formally pursue a comparable program for passage before December 31, 2024."***

Kari updated the commission that King County passed their Cultural Access by unanimous vote.

Motion from Kari: "That the above language is used as a recommendation" Seconded by Lia. All in favor. No opposition. Nicole will send the recommendation to Exec. Somers via email.

3. Nominations for 2024 chair/vice-chair

Kate and David met as the Nomination Committee. The only nominations received were to retain

V. Committee Reports - Nicole Ng-A-Qui, Chair

1. Acquisitions and Preservation: Colin Cole

2. Grants and Funding: Joy Ratzel

3. Education and Outreach: Kate MacKenzie

CAN, Supporting events in our communities

4. Marketing and Community Events: Lia Blanchard

Marysville SD

5. Future of Arts and Culture: Kari Johnson

6. Internal Operations: Jaym Gates

Starting to compile our assets.

7. Budget: David Lotz

January and February's meetings will need to be rescheduled to the 4th Monday because of holidays.

The Workplan needs to be revisited. Wrap up 2023 grants.

8. Staff Reports: Annique Bennett, Sharon Swan

Sharon: will contact Annique about a supplies bin for outreach (ADD TO AGENDA)

Soft opening for the Oso for the family members. Good feedback on Tsovinar's work. It won't be open to the public until the 10 year anniversary in March of 2024.

Nicole would like to see it.

VI. New Business - Nicole Ng-A-Qui, Chair

VII. GOOD OF THE ORDER, Nicole Ng-A-Qui, Chair

Goodbye Lia!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

David: Art Walk in Everett and Edmonds on the Third Thursday

Kari: AHS Week in Olympia

Adjourn 7:56