

Meeting Minutes  
 October 26, 2016

<u>Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Zeeman, Chair	X		Marsha Semmel, Vice Chair		X
Avery Erskine	X		Courtney Murphy	X	
Robert Goler	X		Carol Patch	X	
Jon Hensley	X		Delphia Ridley	X	
Betsy Johnson	X		Leonardo Sarli	X	
Janet Kopenhaver	X		Annie Sweeney	X	
Lola Lombard	X		Carlos Velazquez		X
Alison Mc Neil	X		Tina Worden	X	

**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

Commission Chair Zeeman welcomed members and called the regular meeting of the Arlington Commission for the Arts to order at 7:03 pm.

**2. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

*Motion to approve minutes from the September 21, 2016 regular meeting was made by Commissioner Goler and seconded by Commissioner Sarli. The motion passed unanimously.*

**3. Chair’s Report**

- Chair Zeeman welcomed new Commissioners: Alison McNeil, Annie Sweeney, and Delphia Ridley. Arts Commission Youth Ambassador, Avery Erskine, was also introduced.
- As this was his first meeting as Chair, Zeeman briefed the Commission about how he would like to handle the work of the Commission moving forward, including dividing the effort with Vice Chair, Semmel.
- Chair Zeeman updated the Commission on the status of funds for Challenge Grants which are not recommended to be included in the County’s FY2016 carry-over funds. Zeeman stated that he will be meeting with County Board member Katie Cristol in the near future to discuss. He also asked members to consider other ideas including letters of support from Supported Art Groups.

**4. Public Art Committee Report**

- Commissioner Murphy reported on recent events including the opening of “You are the “I” in Civic” on October 15 and the dedication of Vivian Beer’s Sculpture at Hyatt Place on October 13. The next PAC meeting will be held in January

**5. Task Force Reports:**

- Grants Task Force (Carol Patch, Robert Golder, Betsy Johnson): Commissioner Patch reviewed Task Force’s proposed Draft Guidelines for FY 2018 Project, Space & Services and Individual Artist Grants (see Attachment 1). She requested comments by November 8. The next meeting of the Task Force will be held November 9.
- Arts Strategy Task Force (Leo Sarli, Marsha Semmel, Jon Hensley): Commissioner Sarli reviewed the draft outline of the strategy (see Attachment 2) and asked for Commissioners to review and submit their comments by December 12.

**6. Cultural Affairs Division Chief’s Report**

- See Attachment 3.

**7. Update on Local Projects**

- Four Mile Run Valley Plan—Chair Zeeman reported that there are many competing interests in the four Mile Run planning area and suggested that arts interests must be amplified by encouraging arts groups affiliated with the planning area come testify during public comment at the November 1 and 16 meetings.
- Master Spaces Working Plan (POPS) – Commissioner Sarli updated the Commission on the study and reiterated the need for a comprehensive facilities strategy in Arlington.

**8. Old Business**

- None

**9. New Business**

- None

**10. Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.* The next regular meeting of the Arlington Commission for the Arts will be held 7:00 pm, Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 1100 North Glebe Road, 15 Floor, Arlington VA 22201.