

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 3, 2013

| MEMBERS PRESENT | | MEMBERS ABSENT | STAFF PRESENT | GUESTS PRESENT |
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| M. Longo, Chair | J. Kopenhaver | D. Taylor | J. Lynch | J. Russell |
| W. Baez | M. O'Grady | | C. Miller | |
| C. Cadby | T. Prell | | C. Richmond | |
| E. Fountain | L. Sarli | | S. Soroko | |
| K. Greenan | K. Ward | | | |
| R. Goler | L. Wolf | | | |
| L. Lombard | K. Wood | | | |

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Arlington Commission of the Arts was called to order by Mark Longo at 7:19 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Edwin Fountain to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2013 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT-Mark Longo

- The proposed Commission meeting schedule for FY 2014 was distributed.
- Longo reported on arts advocacy activities related to the FY2014 County budget, including the infographic emailed to supported arts groups and distributed to the County Board, the March 12th testimony by the Commission before the County Board, the March 26th Public Hearing at which representatives from several arts organizations spoke and many others attended, and the April 2nd County Board Work session for AED's budget. He recognized the excellent participation by Commissioners and arts organizations.

4. CULTURAL AFFAIRS REPORT-Susan Soroko in Karen Vasquez's absence

- Soroko outlined the Department's thoughts about options for the Artisphere and distributed budget material which had been referenced on April 2nd at the County Board Work session for AED's budget.

5. FY 2014 SPACE & SERVICES GRANTS - Joan Lynch, Manager of Grants and Artist Services, Arlington Cultural Affairs

- Lynch reported that all 20 applications for Space & Services Grants have been reviewed, and are eligible.

Motion was made by Kim Ward to approve the Space & Services Grant requests and ask staff to report back to the Commission with any issues needing further discussion. The motion passed with 13 for and one abstention (Prell).

- Final determination of Space and Services Grant awards will be made at the May 1st Commission meeting.

6. FY2014 SPOTLIGHT GRANTS – Joan Lynch, Manager of Grants and Artists Services

- Lynch presented staff and panelist recommendations for the 8 artists that applied for a FY2014 Spotlight Grant. Three artists -- Maida Withers, Alex Braden and Henrik Sundqvist -- were recommended by both the panelists and staff for funding consideration.

Motion was made by Edwin Fountain to consider the three artists recommended by staff and panelists for funding consideration. The motion passed with 10 for, 2 opposed, and 2 abstentions (Prell and Goler).

[Cadby left the meeting.]

Motion was made by Katherine Wood to rank order the three artists with the idea that the Commission will consider them for funding pending the outcome of Grants Day. Janet Kopenhaver seconded the motion. The motion failed with 6 against, 4 for, and 3 abstentions (Sarli, Wolf and Longo).

Motion made by Kim Ward to review each of the top three artists and vote yes or no for funding consideration. The motion passed unanimously.

1. *The vote to recommend preliminary funding for Maida Withers failed: 0 in favor, 10 opposed, 3 abstentions (Ward, Sarli and Baez)*
2. *The vote to recommend preliminary funding for Alex Braden failed: 5 in favor, 5 opposed, 3 abstentions (Prell, Baez, Wolf)*
3. *The vote to recommend preliminary funding for Henrik Sundqvist passed: 10 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstention (Goler), and 1 recusal (O'Grady).*

- Final determination of Spotlight Grant awards will be made at the May 1st Commission meeting.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Communication and Outreach Committee – Janet Kopenhaver

- No Report

Facilities and Capacity-Building Committee - Lance Wolf

- No Report

Public Art Committee – Leo Sarli

- Leo Sarli provided a very brief update on the activities of the PAC.

Virginia Square Black Box Theater (VSB BT) Task Force – Mark Longo

- No Report

8. APRIL 13 GRANTS DAY PLAN – Mark Longo

- Longo reviewed the process for Grants Day as reflected in the handouts included in the meeting packet.

9. OLD BUSINESS

- None

10. NEW BUSINESS

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

The next meeting of the Arlington Commission for the Arts will be held 8:30 a.m., April 13, 2013 at 1100 N. Glebe Rd., Arlington, VA 22201