

**Lee's Summit Arts Council  
August Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, August 14, 2018, 6:30 p.m.  
Strother Conference Room  
220 SE Green Street**

**I. Call to Order (Jane)**

Jane called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

**II. Roll Call (Glenda)**

Present: Nick Parker, Melissa Garris, Jeannine Akins, Bob Jones, Jane Bolin, John Schuler, Erik Crew,

Council Member Present: Fred DeMoro

Staff Present: Glenda Masters

Absent: Hopper Thomas

**III. Approval of July Meeting Minutes (Jane)**

Gary moved to approve the minutes from the July 12 meeting. Nick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**IV. Committee Reports**

**Budget Committee** (Gary). Committee did not meet. Gary presented the Treasurer's report which included a detailed overview of the Cultural Department budget. Gary pointed out that we have more grant requests than money allocated for grants and asked that we take into consideration the need and first time requests. Nick motioned to approve the report as presented. Melissa seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**Communications Committee** (Gary). Committee did not meet.

**Cultural Arts Committee** (Jane)

**Creative Conversation 8/21**

On Tuesday, August 21 at 8:30 a.m., the Arts Council will host a public discussion about the arts with local arts organizations. Glenda shared the representatives from various organizations that will be in attendance. Jane shared that the conversation will be about the arts in Lee's Summit and how can the Arts Council better inform, support and collaborate with our local arts organizations and artists.

**State of the Arts 9/25**

Planning is still underway for this event. Jane made another appeal for addresses of people to invite to the event. Glenda shared that it is on the city calendar.

**Summit Art Fest Booth 10/12-10/14**

Glenda will send out a Google Doc for LSAC members to sign up to help manage the booth. We will need to decide what is happening and offered at the booth. Glenda will take care of signage and shirts as well as a project for kids or families. Council discussed ideas for activities and ways to get feedback and data from visitors.

**Public Art Committee.** The Public Art Committee has not yet met. At this time Jane noted that she and Glenda met to discuss updating committees for the Arts Council and determined that

the Cultural Arts and Communication Committees will combine into the Advocacy Committee. We will change the bylaws to reflect the new committee structure at a future meeting.

#### **V. Cultural Arts Manager Report (Glenda)**

Glenda has created the #ArtsLS hashtag for posting photos on social media. Glenda is continuing to meet with community groups.

#### **IX. Old Business**

No old business

#### **X. New Business**

**New Council Member Appointments.** At a recent City Council meeting the Mayor appointed Jody Fristoe and Christina Phillips as new members to the Arts Council. Jody and Christina will join the Arts Council at the next meeting.

**New Committee Structure.** See above under Public Art Committee.

**Grant Application Discussion and Approval.** The Arts Council reviewed several annual and mini grants and the Arts Council voted to approve the following grant applications for funding at the following amounts:

- Bridge Space (\$500)
- Bright Lights Institute (\$1,000) *Vote: 1 opposed.*
- Lee's Summit Symphony (\$1,000) *Vote: 1 Gary Fruits abstained due to conflict of interest.*
- Junior College District of Metropolitan Kansas City Missouri (\$500)
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- ReDiscover (\$1,000) *Vote: 1 opposed.*
- LSR7 Fine Arts Department Grades 7-12 (\$500) *Vote: Jeannine Akins abstained due to conflict of interest.*
- Summit Art (\$1,000) *Vote: Nick Parker and Jeannine Akins abstained due to conflicts of interests.*
- Summit Theatre Group (\$1,000)
- Terra Femina Collective (\$500)

The Arts Council voted unanimously to decline the following grant applications:

- JoAnn Gloor
- Lee's Summit Cares
- Lee's Summit Symphony Mini Grant. *Vote: Gary Fruits abstained due to conflict of interest.*
- Summer Singers of Lee's Summit

**New Grant Process Discussion.** Topic was postponed to the September meeting due to time.

#### **XI. Open Council Discussion**

No Council Discussion for this meeting.

#### **XII. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m. Next Arts Council meeting Tuesday, September 11, 2018 6:30pm.