

Liberty Arts Commission Meeting Summary

July 9, 2015

6:30 p.m.

The Liberty Arts Commission met on Thursday, July 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the offices of Seigfreid Bingham in Kansas City. Present were Commissioners Greg Duncan, Shane Immelt, Heather Jones, Carol Kariotis, Karen Orrill, Bill Stilfield, Phil Young and staff liaison Jonna Wensel. Kellie Houx, Liberty Tribune editor, was also in attendance.

The group convened at 6:30 p.m. at Seigfreid Bingham. Heather Jones led a tour of their corporate art collection.

Chair Bill Stilfield called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Meeting Summary: Ms. Jones made a motion to approve the June 11 meeting summary. Ms. Kariotis seconded the motion, which was approved 7-0.

Current Business

City Signs Project: Ms. Kariotis said the project is moving forward, although more slowly than hoped . Ms. Wensel said MODOT requires surveys and galvanized breakaway posts, both of which have extended the timeline.

Mid-Continent Public Library: Ms. Kariotis said she and Ms. Holtman would be meeting with the library staff next week. The hanging system has been approved, so it should be installed soon. The Community Center has not yet installed the system. Ms. Kariotis said she had a couple of exhibits lined up that would be appropriate for the library, including some black & white historical photographs.

City Staff Exhibit: Ms. Wensel said the city staff exhibit is now on display at City Hall through August. Ms. Houx wrote a very nice article about the show that appeared in today's paper.

Liberty Arts Foundation: Ms. Jones said the next meeting will be July 21.

Make Music Day: Mr. Stilfield asked the group if this event is something they would like to promote. There was a discussion of the logistics and a consensus to form a committee. Mr. Stilfield will meet with leaders of local music groups to determine if there is adequate interest.

Other Business:

Art Partner Reports:

Ms. Wensel said she would report on Liberty Arts Squared in August, after meeting with the festival coordinator.

Ms. Kariotis said she would like to take advantage of the availability of the Stocksdale Gallery during the summer and plan an event. Ideas include an exhibit, poetry reading, and artists mixer.

Ms. Jones suggested doing a strategic planning session for the commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.