



**LIBERTY ARTS  
COMMISSION**

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MEETING SUMMARY  
September 12, 2024  
6:00 p.m. City Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room**

Present: Garrett Brown, Greg Duncan, Molly Hon, Brian Kelley, Anna Knackstedt, Kelley Wrenn Pozel, Katie McDonald, Karly Schieder, Bill Stilfield,

Absent: Nathan Wyman

Guests: Shane Immelt, Heather Jones

Staff Present: Jeanine Thill, Community Development Manager

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Chairwoman McDonald.

The Commission and Ms. Jones shared the many contributions to the Arts made by former Commissioner Immelt. They thanked him for 18 years of service on the Commission and presented him with a token of their appreciation.

**Approval of Meeting Summary-** Commissioner Duncan made a motion to approve the July 11, 2024 meeting summary as presented. (The August 2024 meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stilfield. The motion passed 9-0-0.

### **Current Business**

#### **Transient Guest Tax**

- Vice Chair Knackstedt reported that the LAC budget request for 2025 was submitted to the TGT Committee and no concerns were expressed. The total budget request for 2025 is \$215,200. This included a one-time expenditure for an iconic commissioned sculpture, to be placed permanently near the Kansas Street entrance of City Hall.

#### **Line item budget balances year to date**

- Ms. Thill reported that there is a \$4,000 balance in Purchase Piece line item. We were outbid on the attempt to purchase the parade of hearts piece that was made by a local teacher.
- Staff recommended purchase of Icosahedron Fire & Ice, the only piece in our rotating sculptures that is within this budget and still available.

- Ms. Thill explained that some concerns were shared by the Parks staff that a weep hole needs to be drilled in the orb and repairs made. Staff received an email from the artist, Kirk Seese, explaining the repairs that he will do to the sculpture if we chose to buy it for our permanent collection.

A motion was made by Commissioner Duncan to purchase Icosahedron Fire & Ice for \$4,000 contingent on parks approving the condition. The motion was seconded Councilwoman Wrenn Pozel. The motion passed 9-0-0.

### **Mural Call for Artists / Call for Walls Update**

- This call for walls is still accepting applications, if anyone has ideas for walls for murals they should respond to the call. There were some walls discussed. Tim Harris with Star Development has a lot of walls, someone could ask him.

### **LAC Branding**

- Commissioner Brown would approach Hammerhand Coffee about coffee bag with a seasonal label with our sculptures. We could also possibly work with Classy Chocolates. We need to spend branding line item money to elevate the LAC brand. Some of this could be accomplished through collaboration with small businesses and the Commission.

### **LAC Community Outready/Booths**

- If we get enough volunteers we could have a LAC booth at the Farmers Market, Art on the Side and other events.
- Commissioner Duncan suggested we consider a LAC microfleece, name brand corporate logo wear.
- It was also suggested we could do high quality stickers and aluminum cans of water.

### **Film Festival January 24 & 25 2025 at B&B Theatres**

- Commissioner Schieder reported that Bailey Ball is working on the film fest poster. Tickets should be ready to purchase at Fall Fest. There will be an After Party at Johnnies for up to 150 people. Capacity in the two theatres is 200 but if needed, we can get a larger theatre and sell more.
- Commissioner Schieder reminded the group that the Plein Air Reception will be at 5 pm on October 5 at the Artisan Market. The Commission is welcome to attend.

### **LAC Booth at Fall Fest on Sept 28 and the Farmers Market Oct. 5**

- Volunteers needed for this and for possibly a booth at Fall Fest. Anyone willing to work a shift should contact Ms. Thill

### **Art Partner Reports:**

#### **Liberty Arts Foundation**

- Commissioner Duncan said that the Arts Foundation is working with Guild Collective to produce two pieces for marketing the Foundation. They will have things to hand out at the Plein Air Art Festival on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Library**

- Chairwoman McDonald said Godfrey has a show at the library with photography.

## **William Jewell**

- Nathan emailed the following report:

### **Now-October 18, M-F 8am-6pm**

Stocksdale Gallery, Brown Hall, WJC

“Calligraphy and print making by David Johnson”

**Reception with David: Sunday, September 29 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m**

### **Sept. 28**

Jewell Theatre Company

Staged Reading: "Skywalk" by Amanda Davison

7 p.m., JTCO Blackbox Studio (Brown Hall)

Tickets: A pay what you wish event (suggested donation \$5)

### **Oct. 5**

Liberty Symphony Orchestra Concert

“The Muse in Music;” Music inspired by other art forms

7:30 p.m., Gano Chapel

> Free Tickets: [www.libertysymphony.org/tickets](http://www.libertysymphony.org/tickets)

### **Oct. 16**

Jazz Band Concert

7 p.m., Gano Chapel

## **Corbin Theatre**

- Commissioner Stilfield reported that on Sunday October 13 they are having a fundraiser called Tea Time. Bram Wine Trio will be performing on Oct 24<sup>th</sup>. On Oct 4&5 Mamie Paris master classes will be held Friday evening and Saturday during the day.

## **Liberty Public Schools**

- Commissioner Brown said he is excited about working with multiple agencies on some projects.

## **Miscellaneous Matters from the Commission**

- Commissioner Duncan said he is meeting with the Mayor next week to talk about art related projects.

A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kelley.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.