



Regular Meeting of the Municipal Commission on Arts & Letters

City of University City

September 13, 2018

Members Present:

Garrie Burr, Fred Fehr, Carol Jackson, Richard Massie, Lauren Masterson Rodriguez, Marian Reed, Barbara Santoro, Winnie Sullivan, Nicole Thomas, John Tieman, Wilmetta Toliver-Diallo, Kay Watts

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by president, Garrie Burr.

Minutes: Minutes not available from previous (July, 2018) meeting

Citizen Comments: None

Treasurer's Report: Winnie presented July and August financial summaries and the Starlight final RAC balance. Winnie will write a MAC grant in the near future. Kay moved, Marian seconded, and the report was accepted unanimously.

Staff Liaison Report: Lynda will order nametags for commissioners as needed.

Council Liaison Report: No report in Bwayne's absence

Committee Reports

- Calendar Art – Fred reported that Rod Milam has submitted approximately 17 images for the 2019 calendar, from which 13 will be chosen. Rod will arrange the text.
- Finance -- no report
- Literary – 1) The Commission will fully fund the literary award this year. Winnie estimates total costs about \$1500. The ceremony will be held on October 27, 2018. More details will be reported at our October meeting. 2) Estimates for the stencil for "Raining Poetry" range between \$647 and \$800. The order has been deferred to make sure Starlight costs were covered. The U. City library would like to be included, and Patrick Wall is discussing the possibilities with Winnie. There is the possibility of including a scavenger hunt in the April project.
- Marketing -- Lauren encouraged all project chairs to let Marketing help to create multipronged plans for events.
- Movies -- Wilmetta is waiting for the okay to show a movie during or at Fair U. City, but all others are scheduled.
- Public Art-- The committee is meeting with Sam Fox staff. The class project will be a series of banners dealing with the history of the St. Louis World's Fair.
- Returning Artist – Jeff Anderson will be with students for either 4 or 5 days, beginning on November 12. The reception will be held in the UCHS library on 11/14. Todd Yancey will see that the poster is completed on time.
- Starlight Concerts -- Last summer was a success. Richard and Carol suggest dividing the series into June and September dates to avoid more of the summer heat. They would like to include

an International Day. The A&L budget for total Starlight expenses is understood to be a maximum of \$15,000. The committee is considering fundraisers.

New Business: John Tiemann has an article in the Post-Dispatch on the Legacy Museum and Peace and Justice Museum in Montgomery, AL. He has considered possibilities for a public art project. More discussion is needed.

Old Business: None

Announcements: Former Commissioner Stephanie Schlaiffer has a poetry project at the Des Lee Gallery through September

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.