

VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 . 6:30 PM Minutes

Members in Attendance: Lisa Brenner, Suzanne Greenwald, Edwin Massie, Richard Ruderer, Dr. M. Jean Russell, Joan Suarez

Also participating: Bwayne Smotherson, Council Liaison); Lynda Euell-Taylor, Staff Liaison

Call to Order: Richard Ruderer, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Ruderer approved the February 2022 agenda. Seconded by Ms. Greenwald. Approved by acclimation.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Ruderer approved minutes for January 2022. Seconded by Mr. Massie. Approved by acclimation.

Treasure's Report: None

Chairperson's Comments: Mr. Ruderer shared Ms. Greenwald will be resigning from the commission but will remain until her replacement is appointed.

Agenda Items:

Update – Scholarship Program for University City High School Students

Mr. Ruderer asked Ms. Brenner to discuss with the University City School District their requirements and/or qualifications to be established for awarding the scholarship.

Update – Partnering with Regional Arts Commission (RAC)

Mr. Ruderer indicated RAC is open to partnering with CALOP in providing matching grants to those RAC grants requests which mirror the vision of CALOP.

Update – Media Center Possibilities

Mr. Ruderer indicated a meeting is scheduled with Continuity to visit the Delmar Divine on February 17, 2022 as a possible location for the proposed media center. With RAC and Media Film Association excited about this venture, he sees both as potential partners; as well as Washington University.

Discussion – Request from The Action Art Collaboration

Mr. Ruderer shared a request from The Action Art Collaboration for matching grant funds of \$10,000 to film their play *ACTION*. Ms. Greenwald requested to see their script prior to voting. This item will be placed on the next meeting agenda for further discussion

Discussion - Request from University City In Bloom

Mr. Ruderer shared a request from University City In Bloom for grant funds to film their transformation project of Ruth Park Woods Trail. Mr. Ruderer indicated he would request a written proposal be submitted for consideration. This item will be placed on the next meeting agenda for further discussion.

Mr. Ruderer moved approval to award Continuity matching grant funds of \$18,000 for their 2022 workshop series. Seconded by Ms. Greenwald. Approved by acclimation.

Council Liaison Comments: None

Due to electronic technical difficulties, the meeting abruptly ended at 7:12 pm without an official adjournment.