

VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Wednesday, March 30, 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 6:34 pm.

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Ruderer approved the March 30, 2022 agenda with the correction of "Ascend Grant for Video of Play" to "ACTION Grant for Video of Play". Seconded by Mr. Massie. Approved by acclimation.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Ruderer approved minutes for March 3, 2022. Seconded by Ms. Suarez. Approved by acclimation.

Treasure's Report: Ms. Euell-Taylor provided documents and reported the CALOP fund balance as of 3.29.22.

Agenda Items:

Ascend Grant for Video of Play (correction: ACTION Grant for Video of Play)

Mr. Ruderer moved approval of \$10,000 matching grant fund request. Seconded by Dr. Russell. Ms. Greenwald abstained. Approved by acclimation

University Gardens Grant for One (1) Year Video

Mr. Ruderer moved approval of \$8,000 grant fund request for this project. Seconded by Ms. Suarez. Approved by acclimation.

Q Fest Film Festival

Mr. Ruderer moved approval of \$2,000 grant fund request for this project and indicated CALOP would be recognized as a sponsor. Seconded by Ms. Greenwald. Approved by acclimation.

Fringe Festival

Mr. Ruderer moved approval of \$7,500 grant fund request for this project. Seconded by Ms. Suarez. Approved by acclimation.

Update – Scholarship Program for University City High School Students

Ms. Brenner will contact Ms. Chase regarding her written scholarship program possibilities and Ms. Chase will be invited to the next meeting (scheduled for April 13, 2022) to discuss.

Update – Media Center Possibilities

Ms. Greenwald indicated she has knowledge of one of the funding sources for the Delmar Divine being Maxine Clark who is a financial contributor to charter schools and expressed her serious concern regarding proposed agreement with CALOP and the Delmar Divine. Dr. Russell volunteered to provide forensic accounting on the subject and will share her findings with the commission. Mr. Ruderer moved to cancel the proposed agreement with Delmar Divine and provide the \$500 cancellation contingency fee if negative information is found. Seconded by Ms. Suarez. Approved by acclimation.

Council Liaison Comments: None

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 – 6:30 pm

Adjournment: At 6:56 pm; Motion by Mr. Ruderer, Seconded by Ms. Greenwald. Approved by acclimation.