

ORANGE COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

August 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting - GoToMeeting

Board Members present: Fred Joiner, Chair; Delia Keefe, Secretary; Tinka Jordy, Vice Chair; Dan Mayer, Linda Williamson, Doris Friend, Tim Hoke, Anita Mills, Bronwyn Merritt, Marcela Slade, Justin Haslett, Matthew Keith

Board Members absent: Marlon Torres

Staff Present: Katie Murray, Executive Director; Emilie Menzel, Assistant

- I. Fred called the meeting to order at 6:32p.m.
- II. Linda moved to approve the July 2020 minutes. Tim seconded.
- III. Advisory Board Update (moved to end of agenda)
- IV. Director's Report:
 - a. Orange County Arts Support Fund

The GoFundMe campaign has raised \$64,736 as of today. Donations have significantly slowed. And the number of applications for the third round (2 organizations and 28 individuals) was smaller. After discussion, the decision was made to keep the fund open. A suggestion was made to put a footer in emails to promote the fund.
 - b. Eno Mill update.

Diversity is important. We are seeking artists of color. One space is being held open for an artist in residence or curator in residence. We started renting the big open space as of August 1st. The mill offered us risk-free terms. We hope to curate 3-4 shows per year. A group show is also a possibility.
 - c. Art on the Hill – July 2021

This is a big countywide public art project. We need to begin meetings, find donors, and find foundation and corporate sponsorship. Artist calls should be out by January or February. This requires a full year of planning. Everyone will need to have a contingency plan.

d. #MaskUpOCAC campaign.

This campaign combines the efforts of the OCAC and the Health Department and Public Information Office of the county. Objections were raised about the images of people of color on the publicity posters. These posters will not be used. The OCAC recognizes the need to approach this issue differently in the future.

V. FY 20-21 Grants Cycle

a. Grassroots for schools.

The Arts Center will have an online roster by October 1.

Our application for schools is on about the same timeline.

b. Panel Meeting schedule

Katie sent out dates for grant panels. Board members can join additional panels too. Board members will receive grants to review through Submittable the first of the week of the 24th. Note that there is a rubric correction regarding artistic merit and community impact.

VI. Liaison Reports

a. UNC Student Liaison

The first day of classes has started. And the arts groups are on a case by case basis.

b. UNC/Chapel Hill Arts Commission

Playmakers may be in person for the March show. Times are very challenging for the performing arts. Playmakers is working with the actors but there are many barriers. The Chapel Hill Arts Commission will have its first meeting next week.

c. Hillsborough Arts Council

The gift shop is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays with 2 people working. The shop offers online shopping and curbside pick-up. Several more garden concerts are planned. A traveling platform

truck with a band is in the planning stages.

d. Carrboro Arts Committee

Two shows are currently up and are posted on the Parks and Rec website. It would be a good idea to post them on the Carrboro website too.

e. Visitor's Bureau

The bureau will meet next week.

f. Orange County Artists Guild

The guild surveyed its membership about alternative events to the tour. Ideas included virtual only, virtual and some in-person, and 1 or 2 day events outdoors.

III. Advisory Board Update (moved to end of agenda)

a. Application for Sean T. Bailey

Following discussion, Tim made a motion to approve Sean, Anita seconded. The board voted in favor.

Fred moved to adjourn the meeting. Justin seconded.

Fred adjourned the meeting at 7:53pm.

Respectfully submitted, Delia Keefe, OCAC Secretary