

ORANGE COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

December 14, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting - GoToMeeting

Board Members present: Fred Joiner, Chair; Anita Hill, Vice Chair; Delia Keefe, Secretary; Dan Mayer, Linda Williamson, Justin Haslett, Matthew Keith, Bronwyn Merritt, Marlon Torres, Sean Bailey, Krista Bremer, Brad Porter, Tim Hoke, Tinka Jordy

Board Members absent: Marcela Slade

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

I. Fred called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

II. Justin moved to approve the November 2020 minutes. Bronwyn seconded.

III. Advisory Board Update

- a. Katie distributed a written OCAC Conflict of Interest Policy for review. It is important that continuing board members sign a policy and that new board members also sign a policy as they begin their term. If there is no financial gain, there is no conflict of interest. Extensive discussion followed. A suggestion was made that the board adhere to guidelines established by the county and state arts council. This discussion will continue at the January meeting.
- b. 2021 Officers
A vote was taken on a full slate of officers for 2021. Justin moved and Tim seconded to accept the slate and the vote was approved. The officers are as follows:
Fred, Chair; Anita, Vice Chair; Delia, Secretary.
- c. Three board members' terms will expire in March.
Katie and Fred will reach out to possible candidates who might be interested in filling these vacant positions.

IV. Director's Report:

- a. Grants Update

The dollar amount dispersed from July-December 2020 is \$348,660.78. 234 grants were funded.

b. Orange County Arts Support Fund

The concept going forward is resiliency with a goal of continuing the fund until there is no longer a need.

c. WRAL Big Night in for the Arts

This telethon with big name artists will take place on March 11th. Many counties will be involved and business sponsors will be needed.

VI. Liaison Reports

a. UNC Student Liaison

Students are on break for 2 months until January 19th.

b. Chapel Hill Arts Commission

The commission is currently reviewing projects.

c. Hillsborough Arts Council

The council started a sustainer program. The Solstice Lantern event is a self-guided tour this year.

d. The ArtsCenter

A live show will take place on December 18th. The Elf Market went well and the mural is finished. Classes will be in person and remote in February. Artist in residence programs will be remote and there will be a remote gallery project.

e. Carrboro Arts – did not meet this month

f. Visitor's Bureau

The bureau is struggling at this time.

g. OCAG

Online exposure of the virtual tour has boomed. Facebook has driven this exposure and should be continued.

Dan moved to adjourn the meeting. Anita seconded.

Fred adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Delia Keefe, OCAC Secretary