

Duluth Public Arts Commission

MINUTES for Monday, February 28th, 2022

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting starting at 4:10pm.

Present: Amy Demmer, Tammy Clore, Scottie Gardonio, Paula Gudmundson, Kelli Hallsten Erickson, Amanda McElray Hunter, Christina Woods

Absent: Philip Gilpin

Staff: Eleanor Bacso, Tricia Hobbs, Steven Robertson

- 1. Public Comment

Approval of Minutes

- 2. January 19th, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes and January 24th, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

McElray Hunter makes a motion to approve both minutes with a second by Gudmundson.

Roll Call

Demmer	Clore	Gardonio	Gudmundson	Hallsten Erickson	McElray Hunter	Woods
Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea

Discussion Items

- 3. Ad Hoc committee on Deaccession Policy

Woods reviewed the goal of the deaccessioning committee with commissioners and asked if there were any questions or concerns. Hallsten Erickson and Woods are interested in working on the subcommittee. The purpose of this subcommittee is to come up with a recommendation for DPAC’s deaccession policy.

4. Indigenous Commission Liaison

Woods shared that the Indigenous Commission’s public arts liaison position had been rotating between herself and LaTour. The goal of this liaison position is to keep lines of communication open between commissions. The Indigenous Commission meets at 5:30 the same night as DPAC. Clore may be interested in being the liaison.

5. RFP Inclusions

Woods reiterated that DPAC’s request for proposals need to be improved as artists have suggested improvements. The commission discussed the platform Submittable which Woods had previously recommended. The cost for Submittable is around \$700 a year. Gudmundson and Clore said it would be worth exploring this platform. McElray Hunter said Submittable is very user friendly as an artist.

Bret joined at 4:19pm.

Hallsten Erickson made a motion to subscribe to Submittable for one year and to make it free of charge for applicants with a second by Clore.

Roll Call

Amundson	Demmer	Clore	Gardonio	Gudmundson	Hallsten Erickson	McElray Hunter	Woods
Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea

Action Items

6. Duluth International Airport Rotation Exhibition Applications

Bacso shared an application from artist Alexa Carson and reviewed the request for proposal with commissioners.

Gudmundson made a motion to approve the artwork with a second by McElray Hunter.

Roll Call

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Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea

Communications

7. Staff Updates

Bacso shared that Commissioner LaTour’s term is ending and Commissioner Hobbs has resigned due the recent addition of his wife to the Commission’s staff – and to avoid any conflict of interest.

Subcommittee Reports

8. Conservation Subcommittee

McElray Hunter said the subcommittee has been continuing to work on a number of items such as the aquarium bench, Stenen and the Duluth Legacy brick wall near Caribou. This spring there will be a piece of granite repaired on the fountain (Fountain of the Wind) across from Little Angie’s. Woods visited with Dan Hartman at the DECC and suggested that Dan comes and talks about the DECC’s art goals.

9. Superior Street Art Walk Subcommittee

Bacso shared an update for the Superior Street Subcommittee; the subcommittee has not been recently but reviewed the positive feedback that the community and business owners gave regarding the light projections.