

Alachua County Arts Council

August 8, 2022

Members Present

Lucia Curta*
Iryna Kanishcheva*
Queenchiku Ngozi
David Ruiz
David Sutton
Carol Velasques Richardson*
Corey Williams– Alternate
*Virtual Attendee

Members Absent

Chelsea Carnes

Staff Present

Gina Peebles

Call to Order

The hybrid meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: Queenchiku Ngozi made a motion to approve the agenda as presented; Corey Williams seconded; unanimous approval; motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: Corey Williams made a motion to approve the June 6, 2022 minutes as presented; Queenchiku Ngozi seconded; unanimous approval; motion carried.

Jack Durrance Art Loan Application/Agreement

MOTION: Corey Williams made a motion to recommend Amy Richard to the Board of County Commissioners to display her artwork in Jack Durrance; Queenchiku Ngozi seconded; unanimous approval; motion carried.

Art Tag Grant Application Distribution

The Art Tag Grant applications will be emailed to the Arts Council for ranking. The 8B Form from Mr. Williams and Conflict of Interest Form and scores from other Arts Council members are due to Gina Peebles by August 31. No matching grants were received, so the Council can discuss funding additional applicants, or other options, at the September meeting.

Arts & Economic Prosperity 6 Study Update

Visit Gainesville, Alachua County has offered to provide promotional materials and help spread the word through their distribution list and work with Communications on media advisories and social media posts. If you are aware of an upcoming Arts related event, please send Gina Peebles the event organizers' contact information so they can be asked to collect surveys.

Call-to-Artists Update

West Lawn Sculpture – The County Commission selected George Gadson, who worked with the Hilliard-Nunn family to revise his sketch. This is slated to be complete in 2023 and unveiled either during Black History Month, for Juneteenth, or Dr. Hilliard-Nunn's birthday.

Fire Station 33 – The stained glass installation is expected to be completed this weekend.

Sports Event Center Mural - The Commission selected Anon for the mural, which is expected to be painted by the end of the calendar year

Sports Event Center Sculpture - The Commission selected Jennifer Garrett for the sculpture, which is expected to be completed/installed by the summer of 2023.

Sports Event Center Silhouettes – The Commission selected Gus and Lina Fine Art for the silhouettes, which are expected to be installed by the end of the calendar year.

Poet Laureate – The Commission selected E. Stanley Richardson as the County's Poet Laureate.

Call to Artists – Downtown County-Owned Buildings Discussion

A Shepherd Fairey mural was installed by volunteers on the Wooley Downtown. Funds raised were sent to the Ukraine.

The consensus was to keep the \$20,000 earmarked for the South Wall in reserves for future art projects.

2023 Artists Conference Discussion

If anyone has ideas for speakers/presenters/sponsors, please let Gina know so she can reach out. The tentative date is May 5, 2023.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

The Alachua County Arts Council will meet next on September 12 at 5:30 p.m. in the Manager's Training Room and via Zoom.