



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION May 8, 2013

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on May 8, 2013, within the Tempe Public Library, Meeting Room B, 3500 S. Rural Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Robert Moore
Hotchy Kiene
Frank Williams
Hilary Harp
Susan Bendix
Gail Natale
Kelly Nelson
Janis Webb
Kiyomi Kurooka

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator - Grants; Public Art/Art in Private Development
Joy Higgins, Public Art Assistant
Dolores Johnson, Education Coordinator – Escalante Multi-Generational Center

Guest(s) Present:

Dr. Michael Wilson, Conductor – Tempe Symphonic Wind Ensemble
Regina Nixon, Director – Phoenix Conservatory of Music

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Shiela Schmidt
Celeste Plumlee
Dave Kephart
Nikie Crawford
David Lucier

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Kelly Nelson, TMAC Vice Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the April 10, 2013, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Meeting Minutes Document

- Hotchy Kiene asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved TMAC minutes document** dated **April 10, 2013**.
- **MOTION:** Frank Williams moved to approve the April 10, 2013, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Meeting Minutes Document as presented.
SECOND: Gail Natale seconded.
DECISION: April 10, 2013, TMAC Meeting Minutes Document approved as presented.

Agenda Item 3 – Chairperson’s Announcements

- Hotchy Kiene informed TMAC members of the following events:
 - Thursday May 9, 5pm, Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, young@art gallery – opening exhibition for The New School for Arts and Academics’ Visions program
 - Friday May 10th, 7-9:30pm, ASU Life Sciences A Building, room 191 – *Stuck Outside of Phoenix*, free movie screening.
 - Thursday May 16th, 5:30-7pm, Tempe Public Library, Meeting Room A – Neighborhood Grant Workshop; an informational workshop to discuss the Maryanne Corder Neighborhood Grant Program. Neighborhood associations learn how to apply for up to \$10,000 in grant funds. Applications released May 16th 2013; due date estimated for August/September 2013.
 - Thursday May 16th, 7pm, Tempe History Museum – Third Thursday lecture: Mayor Mark Mitchell to discuss the future of Tempe, to include trends in economy and culture.

Agenda Item 4 – Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Coordinator’s Report

- Maja Aurora distributed new Public Art condition reports and reminded the TMAC members to complete and submit previously provided condition reports. Condition reports should include photographs, latitude/longitude, and examining the accuracy of current factsheet information.

Agenda Item 5 – Arts Grants Report

- Michael Wilson reported about the progress of Tempe Symphonic Wind Ensemble Project Grant. Discussion highlights include:
 - TSWE is a twenty-three year old organization of professional, volunteer musicians from around the valley. 4-5 concerts per year are held at the TCA and Friendship Village.
 - Four concerts are currently planned for the 2013-2014 season, with the February event to include a festival featuring high school bands.
- Regina Nixon and Dolores Johnson reported about the progress of the Phoenix Conservatory of Music Project Grant in conjunction with Escalante Community Center.
 - The music programs aim to build skills through music and help youth discover talent.
 - Classes provided at Escalante include parent/tot music sessions, four preschool classes with teaching artists and a drop-in after school program for 6-12 year olds.
- M. Aurora presented for consideration a **Mini Grant Application by Fees College Preparatory Middle School**, 1600 E Watson Dr., Tempe, AZ 85283. Fees requested \$500 towards the purchase of ¾ sized guitars and footstools for a 6th grade guitar program to start in fall of the 2013-2014 school year.
- **MOTION: Janis Webb moved to approve the Fees College Preparatory Middle School Mini Grant Application as presented.**
SECOND: Frank Williams seconded.
DECISION: Fees College Preparatory Middle School Mini Grant Application approved as presented.
- M. Aurora presented for consideration a **Mini-Grant Application by Terpsicore Dance Company**. Terpsicore requested \$500 to be applied to venue expenses for their season finale performance titled *Paquita and Other Works* at the Tempe Center for the Arts, June 29-30, 2013.
 - TMAC members considered tabling the Terpsicore Dance Company Mini Grant application for the following month citing the need for more information. Terpsicore’s application narrative did not sufficiently describe the significance of contribution and/or

the level of impact the production would have on the Tempe Community. The board reconsidered tabling based on the Mini Grant Application Instructions stating applications are received July 1-May31 due to fiscal year constraints.

- **MOTION:** Hilary Harp requested a motion to vote.
SECOND: Gail Natale seconded.
DECISION: The application was NOT approved by a 6-2 majority with Hotchy Keine, Frank Williams, Gail Natale, Kelly Nelson, Janis Webb, and Kiyomi Kurooka voting against approval. Susan Bendix abstained.
- M. Aurora presented for consideration a **Mini-Grant Application by Dancers and Health Together, Inc.** DAHT requested \$500 to be applied to the overall expenses of a showcase and workshop titled *Arizona's Got Dance!* at the Tempe Center for Performing Arts, July 18-20, 2013.
-TMAC members discussed the impact to Tempe residents and determined the project included numerous dance companies which would provide a larger audience base.
- **MOTION:** Hilary Harp requested a motion to vote.
SECOND: Frank Williams seconded.
DECISION: The application was approved by a 5-4 majority with Kelly Nelson, Susan Bendix, Gail Natale, and Janis Webb voting against approval.

Agenda Item 6 – Commission Members' Announcements

- None

Agenda Item 8 - Adjournment

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting, will be held at 6 p.m. on June 12, 2013 at the Tempe Public Library Meeting Room B, 3500 S. Rural Rd., Tempe, AZ 85282.
- **Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.**

Prepared By: Joy Higgins

Reviewed By: Maja Aurora and Barbara Roberts