

The City of Frederick, Maryland
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
Minutes of February 10, 2015
(Approved 3/10/2015)

Members Present: C. Moreland, T. Daniel, W. Poindexter, K. Kuranda, D. Rosano, K. Hluch

Staff Present: R. Myers, K. Winterstein

Regrets / Absent: A. Cain, D. Kuzemchak

Meeting called to order by C. Moreland.

1. Review of the November 10, 2014 Minutes:

Motion by D. Rosano to approve the minutes as submitted
2nd by W. Poindexter
All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Review of a request by The Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center to install a sculpture in the garden area of the Center. Chair Catherine Moreland and Kate Kuranda recused themselves from this discussion.

Diane Sibbison, Manager of Exhibitions at the Delaplaine presented the request. The photograph provided showed the sculpture as it was placed in the rear garden area along Carroll Creek Park. The piece was originally installed in 2012 on an existing cement pad. Current request is to install this piece permanently.

David Moreland, Artist, offered the sculpture was removed when high winds toppled it causing it to be removed. D. Moreland has consulted with an engineer who has solved the weak issues with the piece to allow it to be installed in a more solidified way. The piece comes apart in three (3) sections; base, shaft and top. Solutions are to pour concrete into the base of the piece giving it more weight as well as allowing it to be more securely anchored to the existing cement pad. Further the top will be secured through the shaft into the base and cement pad. Further, the engineering is proposing a new type of synthetic spray to cover the piece with that will allow it to remain free of debris and dirt. The Delaplaine will maintain the piece as needed.

Motion by K. Hluch to approve the permanent installation of sculpture in the garden area of The Delaplaine Visual Arts Center;
2nd by T. Daniel;
All in favor.

**This now needs to go before the City's Historic Preservation Commission for approval.*

3. Review of a request by the Boys & Girls Club (B&GC) to install a mural at their City owned property located at 413 Burck Street. Mr. Pat Gunnin, Executive Director of the B&GC offered that the concept of this project is to try to teach the children by using art, appreciating it and others and their diversity. Mr. Anthony Owens stated he has done seven (7) mural projects to date within the City. This project will include not only artists but children within the B&GC program. Proposed is a mosaic component with rocks attached to cement board then attached to an existing interior block wall. The remainder of the art will be on the actual wall. Discussion ensued about the vision of the actual artwork with the Commission members concurring that what is in the piece is up to the artistic interpretation of the artists and children that will work on this piece. This artwork can be easily removed and the wall repainted if necessary. Maintenance of the piece will be the responsibility of the B&GC.

R. Myers and P. Gunnin offered that 413 Burck Street is a City owned building within the Parks system.

*Motion by W. Poindexter to approve the installation of artwork inside the Boys & Girls Club located within City property at 413 Burck Street;
2nd by K. Kuranda;
All in favor.*

OLD BUSINESS:

4. Review of current Commission Member Qualifications to consider any proposed updates. The following Qualifications to be modified as follows:
 4. At least one member must be an arts administrator.
 5. One member may be a citizen at large.
 6. All other members of the Commission must have expertise in the visual arts, art appreciation, art history, architecture or a related field.

*Motion by W. Poindexter to recommend the above changes to the Public Art Commission Member Qualifications;
2nd by T. Daniel;
All in favor.*

**This now needs to go before the Mayor & Board of Aldermen for final approval.*

5. Review of a proposed Application to Install Artwork form for future requests of this Commission. After some minor proposed changes, C. Moreland will forward the document to K. Winterstein, Commission Secretary, to prepare the final document for use. All agreed this will be a helpful tool when considering new pieces of art.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kristi A. Winterstein
Recording Secretary