



Warrensburg Arts Commission Meeting

Agenda

February 20, 2024

5:00-6:00pm

Ophelia Gilbert Room

James Kirkpatrick Library

601 Missouri Street

Warrensburg, MO 64093

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Establish Quorum
4. Approval of Agenda (Motion/Discussion)
5. Approval of Minutes (Motion/Discussion)
6. Introduction of Guests/Visitors
7. Updates
 - a. City (Marcy/Eddie)
 - b. Chair (Allison)
8. Committee Reports
 - a. Activity Book Committee
 - b. Art in Public Places Committee
9. New Business
 - a. Presentation to City Council (May 13)
 - b. Fundraiser for FY25
 - c. Possible Social/Art Gathering hosted by Jo Narron (June 20)
10. Next Meeting - March 18, 5:00-6:00pm
 - a. Agenda items
11. Adjournment

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Warrensburg Arts Commission Meeting
Minutes
January 16, 2024
5:00-6:00pm
Warrensburg Convention and Visitors Bureau
205 N Holden St.
Warrensburg, MO 64093
Zoom option available

The meeting was **called to order at 5:02 pm**. Quorum was established.

Roll Call

Commissioners present: Sue Kraus, Allison Robbins, Sarah Chamberlin, Steve Carter, Cindy Bechtol (Zoom), Maya Kucij

Ex-Officios present: Marcy Barnhart, Eddie Osborne

Approval of Agenda

Steve motioned to approve, and Mia seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Sue motioned to approve, and Sarah seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Introduction of Guests/Visitors

None present.

City Updates (Marcy/Eddie)

Marcy talked about [two types of grants that the WCVB offers with deadlines](#) - Tourism Grant and Sports Grant as well as the Sponsorship program. All of these grants are to help assist nonprofits holding events that drive tourism with overnight lodging to our community. The tourism grant and sports grant have three deadlines attached with an upcoming deadline of January 26, 2024. These grants are made possible by the lodging tax collected by the City of Warrensburg. An example of usage for the Sponsorship program was the annual Courthouse Concert Series, an monthly seasonal event held that brings in artists from in and outside of the Warrensburg community here to perform and drives tourists to our community who may stay overnight and enjoy the various offerings of our town. Marcy encouraged the WAC to pass the word out about these grants to arts-related nonprofit organizations that could benefit.

Chair Updates

Allison shared a budget report indicating that this fiscal year, the Arts Commission has generated \$4,925.57 in revenue (from the community theater fundraiser) and spent \$4,264.68 (on expenses for the community theater fundraiser and on the Old Drum Wood Carvers art grant). There is \$1,350.00 remaining in the budgeted expense for community art grants. The current balance for the Commission fund is \$17,088.22. Allison also shared goals from the Arts Commission five-year plan for the current fiscal year.

Activity Book Project

Allison put together a quick ideas list to begin thinking about the content of the piece, including “draw the rest of the picture,” coloring page, color-by-number mystery picture, draw something at a location page, “I Spy” in Warrensburg page, passport page of Warrensburg, maze, spot-the-difference, word search, crossword, word scramble, find something in a drawing, and tic tac toe. Commissioners briefly brainstormed and will return to the next meeting with any additional ideas. Three commissioners are assigned to work on this project implementation – Allison, Steve, and Sarah. This activity guide will be in partnership with the WCVB.

Art in Public Places Committee

Commissioners discussed this committee further and determined that two commissioners would reside over this committee and partner with Warrensburg community members to build this committee and focus specifically on APP. It was determined that the committee will need to begin with mapping out the APP concrete pads throughout the city. Eddie suggested contacting Public Works to help in determining the locations. Sarah suggested an audit be taken including photos. Steve and Allison will work together to invite community members and re-launch the committee.

Review of Commissioner terms

Allison shared with commissioners the remaining length of their terms. All current commissioners are eligible to serve another term.

Election of 2024 Officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary)

Chair: Steve motioned to re-nominate Allison as 2024 Chair, Sue seconded, Allison accepted nomination. Vote held, all commissioners present unanimously elected Allison as 2024 Chair for WAC.

Co-chair: Sue motioned to re-nominate Steve as 2024 Co-chair, Sarah seconded, Steve accepted nomination. Vote held, all commissioners present unanimously elected Steve as 2024 Co-chair for WAC.

Secretary: Sarah motioned to nominate Maya as 2024 Secretary, Allison seconded, Maya accepted nomination. Vote held, all commissioners present unanimously elected Maya as 2024 Secretary for WAC.

Arts Commission Grant Request - Alex Smith

The commission reviewed a grant request from Alex Smith regarding a percussion group Arx Duo, who would work with UCM students, visit district schools, and perform a free concert at the courthouse. Allison and Maya abstained from discussion and voting, per the grant guideline that “commissioners employed by, serving as a board member on, or directly involved in any capacity with an applicant shall be excused from discussing, rating or voting on said applicant.” Sarah motioned to approve the grant, and Steve seconded. Motion passed with four commissioners voting in favor, and two abstentions.

Next Meeting - February 20, 5:00-6:00pm

Commissioners agreed to meet on a Tuesday, due to President’s Day, in the Ophelia Gilbert Room at the James Kirkpatrick Library on the UCM campus. Agenda items will include the possibility of presenting an annual report to City Council as well as continuing discussion of the Activity Book and the APP. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01pm.

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