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**Kirkwood Arts Commission
Meeting Minutes
City of Kirkwood
February 24, 2015 || 5:00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Members: Agnes Garino, Mary Hanson, Jim Weidman, Zoe Perkins. Missing: Terry Sibbitts, Judy Roberts. Staff Liaison: Beth von Behren. Council Liaison: Art McDonnell.

Pursuant to notice of meeting duly given, the Kirkwood Arts Commission convened at 5:00 p.m., on February 24, 2015, in the main-level conference room at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 S. Kirkwood Road.

- I. **Minutes:** Motion made by Jim Weidman and seconded by Judy Roberts to approve the minutes. Motion passed.
- II. **Commission Vacancy:** There are three applications for the Commission vacancy. The mayor will make a decision by the next meeting on March 17.
- III. **Human Rights Commission Art Fair:** The Commission needs to know what age groups are involved. How many winners will there be? What criteria should they use to judge? Commission members Garino, Perkins, Weidman confirmed they would attend. Commissioner Hanson said she could judge on Friday evening, but later determined she could also attend on Saturday.
- IV. **Report on Volunteers:** The Call for volunteers resulted in lots of responses, including three volunteers for Art at the Station, one for the summer concert series, and more than a dozen volunteers for the Public Art Sub-Committee.
- V. **Public Art:** Agnes reported that about 13 people are interested in the Public Art Subcommittee. She has received resumes on many of the volunteers. All are Kirkwood residents. They will meet for the first time on March 10 at the Community Center. They will plan first and then work on fundraising.
- VI. **Kirkwood Arts Foundation Update:** Pat Jones sent final signatures to Keith Kehrer on February 5. Jim Weidman will follow up with him.
- VII. **Mayfest / Earth Day:** The date for Earth Day is April 18. Mayfest is May 9. The Commission would like to have a booth at one or both. Questions for Donna Poe include can we do chalk butterflies on the pavement? Where will the booth be – at the Farmers' Market or in Station Plaza? Discussion ensued about the possibility of creating chalk boards with plywood and chalk paint. This would involve storage issues and cost and so it might be a question for the Public Art Subcommittee. The boards could be leaned/displayed against the fence that runs along the Farmers' Market Greenway. At Mayfest, we could hand out information on the concert series. Bird House decorating was a fundraiser for the Kirkwood Area Arts Council. We could do planters instead. It would be a silent auction. Those available to work the May 9 booth are: Judy, Zoe, Jim, Mary. Action item: Beth will forward the photos of the bird houses from Agnes to the Commission and talk to Murray about how the Scarecrow Decorating Contest is run by the recreation department each fall. Questions: What will the criteria be? For example, should there be a specified number or a certain kind of element involved? Is there a fee for the Mayfest booth?
- VIII. **Concerts Update:** Judy reminded the Commission that we need to have a poster designed for the summer concert series. We also need funding to pay to print the posters.



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IX. Other Business:

- a. Agnes asked the Commissioners to take a look at the Webster Groves Website, under “Arts Resources.” Follow-up: Beth did a search on their Website and could not find this.
- b. We need to get grant information from Pat Jones.
- c. March agenda should include strategic planning and calendar development.

X. Next Meeting: March 17, 2015.

XI. Adjournment: 6:30 p.m.