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Kirkwood Arts Commission
Meeting Minutes
City of Kirkwood – 139 S. Kirkwood Road
September 15, 2015 || 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Agnes Garino, Mary Hanson, Jim Weidman, and Judy Roberts, Commissioners. Beth von Behren, Staff Liaison. Art McDonnell, Council Liaison, joined the meeting at 6:20 p.m. **Missing:** Jim Erwin, Zoe Perkins. Commissioner. **Guest:** Frank Lewis.

Pursuant to notice of meeting duly given, the Kirkwood Arts Commission convened at 5:00 p.m., on September 15, 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 August 18, 2015 minutes. Motion passed.
- II. **Public Art Subcommittee.** Discussion ensued about the length of the Survey on Public Arts and whether questions should or could be consolidated. Consensus was to send it out and see how many responses were received. If not enough, then it could be reduced in size. Beth will put it on the Website, on both the home and Arts Commission pages. She will send it to the Arts Calendar subscribers and promote it elsewhere. It should be available between October 1 and 31.
- III. **Public Art Policy:** The Public Art Subcommittee is moving forward with development of a public art policy. Several members are working on this. They hope to have a draft in October and a final version by December. The Commission will review it in December. It may need to be reviewed by the City Attorney prior to submission to City Council.
- IV. **Art at the Station:** Discussion ensued about the future of this program. During renovations for the Train Station, we will not be able to display art in the Station. Mayor McDonnell has also reported that the renovation committee is inclined to recommend that after the renovation is completed, art exhibits not be allowed in the Station at all. This would need to be approved by City Council, and the Arts Commission could weigh in on the topic in the future with future Council members. The Commission needs to decide what it wants to do for 2016. Should there be a six-month exhibit schedule? The Arts Foundation recommends not having exhibits in 2016. This issue was tabled for a vote at the October meeting, when more Commissioners will be present to discuss.
- V. **Making Music Summer Concert Series:** The \$4,000 deficit from the summer concert series, which is the difference in what the series costs and how much was collected in donations, will be covered by the Kirkwood Arts Foundation. The Concert subcommittee wants to do a survey. The Commission approved this. It has been set up using Survey Monkey, and Beth will promote. The subcommittee's consensus is they don't need a mission statement, that the Commission's mission statement works for the subcommittee as well. Discussion ensued of possible bands and music for 2016.
- VI. **Kirkwood Arts Foundation:** Jim Weidman submitted a report and minutes to the Commission. Beth continues to try to find a solution to the PayPal button problem. Georgia Ragland is working on getting a quote for D&O insurance. Sheri Mistretta is working on the Gaylord Foundation grant. Jim is working to change the DUNS# with Dun & Bradstreet from Kirkwood Area Arts Council to the Kirkwood Arts Foundation for grant purposes. Sheri is working on the same name change for the 501(c)(3). We may not make the October 5 grant deadline for the Missouri Arts Commission for the June 2016 concerts. The Regional Arts Commission is developing new guidelines that should be available December 1 for the period beginning July 1, 2016, for \$1000-\$5000 grants. The Arts Foundation is 100 percent on donations. Jim encouraged Commission members to do likewise.



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- VII. Greentree Festival.** The Commission discussed logistics, such as give-aways and scheduling.
- VIII. Adjournment:** 6:37 p.m.