

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING

URBANA ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION

APPROVED

DATE: NOVEMBER 17, 2020

TIME: 4:30 P.M

PLACE: Online Zoom Meeting (Web ID: 860 1510 2001)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia Sammann, Courtney Becks, Barbara Hedlund, Jared Miller, Frank Modica, Jenelle Orcherton, Gonzalo Pinilla, Angela Williams, Stacey Robinson

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

STAFF PRESENT: Rachel Storm, Arts & Culture Coordinator; HeatherAnn Hicks-Layman, Program Specialist; Stepheny McMahon, Economic Development Coordinator; Jason Liggett, UPTV Station Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: Lauren Chambers, Seth Fein, Patrick Singer, Rob Krumm, Cody Jensen

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

The Urbana Arts and Culture Commission was called to order at 4:31 P.M by Sammann. Hicks-Layman took roll and a quorum was declared present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Sammann moved to approve minutes from October 13th, 2020. Modica seconded. With no changes, all were in favor and minutes were approved.

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The final report presentations for CU Folk & Roots Festival 2020 and Boneyard Arts Festival 2020 were removed from the Agenda.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

5. PRESENTATIONS

- **2020 Urbana Arts Grant Final Report – Lauren Chambers, The Urbana Free Library**

Chambers presented a final report for *Story Walk®*, a requirement of their 2020 Urbana Arts Grant.

- **Staff Report – Rachel L Storm, Urbana Arts and Culture Coordinator**

Storm presented the monthly staff report. Topics included updates on ongoing programs and events turned virtual, and small socially-distanced ribbon cuttings for the Poems on Glass program and recent Urbana Arts Grant recipient Charlie Upchurch's *Vibrant Public Mural*. Storm included updates on the fall 2020 interns from the University and their projects (such as a Sensory-Sensitive Community Concert) as well as the intent to have two 2021 spring high school interns. Storm's report also included updates on the Urbana Arts Grant Program including Tiers I (including Arts in the Schools,) II, III, Poet Laureate, and Youth Poet Laureate. Storm reported on collaborative projects such as Great ARTdoors, Art Inspired, and Art for Nourishment, as well as other programs such as the Urbana Sculpture Program and Artists of the Corridor. She also mentioned representatives from the City would be at the next meeting to talk about the New Comprehensive Plan for the City of Urbana.

- **2021 Urbana Arts Grant, Tier III Proposal – Seth Fein and Patrick Singer**

Fein and Singer presented their proposal for *Pygmalion 2021* to the Commission.

- **2021 Urbana Arts Grant, Tier III Proposal – Rob Krumm and Cody Jensen**

Krumm and Jensen presented their proposal for *CU Folk & Roots Festival 2021* to the Commission.

6. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Sammann declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Submitted, HeatherAnn Hicks-Layman, Program Specialist