

# Laurel Arts Council Meeting Agenda – June 10, 2026

at 6:30pm (virtual)

LaurelArtsCouncil@gmail.com

## Preliminaries

1. Take Roll: Ella, Rubama, Mel, Matty, Sandy, Angie, Melissa; Bill, Naomi
2. Determine Quorum: yes
3. VOTE: Approval of May Minutes
4. Updates Membership & New Applicants: Mel ends in Sept
5. Officers: 1 year terms. Pres (sets agenda, runs meeting, sends agenda and minutes, ensures quorum), VP, Secretary (takes minutes) needed. Election in July/beginning of FY.

Official roles: <https://tinyurl.com/laccharter>

## Agenda:

1. News from City Government – Bill (DPR), Naomi (ECD)  
Divina is taking over for Bill for LAC
2. State of FY26 LAC budget – Bill  
We're still good, about \$2k left
3. Traffic Box Art Contest – Mel, Bharati, Inka: 3 boxes, 31 entries



4.
  - 3 winners (eval by Mel, Bharati, Inka,
    - input from Stephanie Schwarz (Wrapsody)
  - Wrapping will be done next week
  - \$5512 cost for the 3
  - Motion: add \$200 to each artist stipend (as we've surplus, and Hyattsville already pays \$650 vs our \$350). passed by majority
5. Other things to spend on: signage, dressing, suitcase: ~\$300ish passed by majority  
Mel's a-frame/lawn sign idea (up to \$400), passed by majority
6. Schools – Mel, Matty
  - Scotchtown Hills Elementary playground mural –
    - Changes to plan: Start work next school year

- Possible alternative: install window or door mural



- 7. Maryland Public TV film showing – Jennifer, Francesca
  - (via Bill) Jennifer never heard back from MPT
- 8. Social Media – Ella
  - working with James, Ella sent forms to regain access, not sure what's happened since
  - Melissa, Francesca (and Inka) - form not received. were to get access
  - Francesca interested in taking over Insta
  - suggestion: come up with a social media strategy (best practice on posting after events, who tracks comments, what to post regularly)
- 9. Farmer's Market Music – Sandy, Melissa M
  - Melissa M hasn't gotten a response, Naomi will follow up
- 10. Multicultural Festival – September

Mel sat in on committee, they want us to pay for their performers, which isn't what we do last time we did a sit-and-paint; maybe find more multicultural interesting pre-drawn canvases to paint

Ella will try to source some on amazon alongside her other shopping
- 11. FY27 LAC budget – Propose/discuss projects at July mtg.
  - Budget enhanced by developer fees – could plan wall mural
- 12. On volunteers, can they propose things? Yes. Will LAC support art projects by non-committee? Yes (and we have, like trash-can painting). Anyone can attend, propose, volunteer.

Known gap: gathering names, lists at festivals, etc but not following up.

Somewhere in the drive we have a list of artists somewhere (Ella), maybe do something with that.

Ella: can whip up a quick flyer for future outreach

**Next Meeting:** July 8, 2026 (in person)

Members interested in running for office, let's discuss via email!