

ARTS COUNCIL MEETING NOTES NO QUORUM REGULAR VIDEO MEETING

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chair Erin Vivion called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

Amy Barnes, Erik Gordon, and Suzanne Skone participated remotely using Zoom (video teleconferencing platform). A quorum was not established.

City Council liaison Salim Nice, staff members Sarah Bluvas and Ryan Daly, and consultant Emily Moon also participated remotely via Zoom.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

No public appearances.

STAFF REPORT

Sarah Bluvas, Economic Development Coordinator for the City, updated members on a new mural at the Boyd Collection in Mercer Island Town Center; fire damage at the Aubrey Davis Park picnic shelter; the annual Americans for the Arts (AFTA) Convention; and new City communications tools and upcoming meetings.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Approval of Minutes – May 12 Regular Video Meeting Minutes

The board did not reach quorum so will postpone approving the May 12 meeting minutes until the July 2021 meeting.

2. Arts Reset Planning: 2022 Work Plan + Budget Input

Ryan Daly, Operations Transition Team Manager, and Emily Moon, reset planning consultant, updated the board on the reset plan timeline and process as well as sought feedback for incorporating a placeholder request in preparation for the July 6 City Council reset plan presentation.

3. Arts Immediate Action Plan: Reset Committee Updates

Committee members and staff provided updates on Mostly Music in the Park, the Mercer Island Gallery, the Community Arts Project, and long-term planning proress.

4. 2021 Officer Positions and Board Recruitment

Bluvas discussed the status of board recruitment and current officer positions as well as for input on Ordinance No. 21C-13 addressing term limits and board size going to City Council on June 15, 2021. The board gave feedback on the ordinance to Councilmember Nice and also shared ideas for returning to being fully operational, including strengthening Arts Council committees, adding a youth board member or liaison position, and rebuilding partnerships with local arts and other community organizations.

5. Public Art Updates

Mercer Island Arts Council Regular Meeting – 06.09.21 Approval of Minutes: May 12, 2021, Regular Video Meeting – No Quorum No additional update.

6. 2021 Meeting Schedule

The summer meeting schedule will be revised to the following:

- July 14 Regular Meeting: No change
- August 11 Regular Meeting: CANCELED (possibility for special meeting if desired)
- September 8 Regular Meeting: MOVE to accommodate Rosh Hashanah holiday (will confirm new meeting date at July meeting)
- 7. 2021 Volunteer Hours

Staff reminded board members to report any additional volunteer hours outside of regular meetings, which she will already track on behalf of members.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Video Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.