

Public Arts Advisory Board

Minutes

Regular Meeting
July 20, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
300 Country Club Road, Bldg. 100
Wylie, TX 75098

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Shank at 6:03 pm. Members present included: John Treadwell, Gloria Suarez, Anita Jones, Steve Shank, Esther Bellah, Joseph Murdock and Cassie Dyson.

PAAB Coordinator Carole Ehrlich was also in attendance.

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Residents may address the Board regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Residents must fill out a non-agenda form prior to the meeting in order to speak. The Board requests that comments be limited to three (3) minutes. In addition, the Board is not allowed to converse, deliberate, or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation.

No citizens were present to address the board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion regarding the Overview of the 2023 Bluegrass on Ballard Event scheduled for June 24, 2023

Staff Board Discussion

PAC Ehrlich reported that although the weather was very hot, the event raised \$17,585 in revenue for the arts. She explained that many of the vendors asked if the event could be moved to the spring where the weather would bring more visitors and be more successful for vendors.

The board agreed that weather played a part in a smaller turnout at the event. The board consensus was that the event was a success with regard to those that attended and funding for the art fund, Members asked if walkie talkies could be purchased for members loading in vendors to streamline communication. PAC Ehrlich replied that that could be done. A big thanks to the ROTC students for assisting from all present.

2. Discussion and update regarding the Call for Artists for the Walking Trails 2023-24

PAC Ehrlich presented the four semi-final artists that were chosen by the selection panel. They included Sonny Behan, Yoshikawa Wright, Eric Nubbe, and Patrick Sullivan. She reported that they would be coming to Wylie on August 9-10, 2023 for a tour of the City and art installed and would also attend a Community Input Meeting to learn more about the wishes of the public for the two sites that they will be creating art for along the walking trails. The focus was on the Caddo tribes that inhabited the Blackland Prairie many years ago. The area along the walking trails is a portion of the Blackland Prairie which only 1% is still in existence.

She encouraged the board to attend this very important meeting to give input. She also reported the artists would be back again on September 21st to present their proposals for the two sites.

3. Discussion regarding the 2023 Wylie Arts Festival event on December 2, 2023

PAC Ehrlich reported that in the first week emails went out to prospective vendors she received over 80 applications. She stated that in the business portion of this meeting the board would be asked to volunteer for a three-member panel to review applications received.

4. Discussion and update regarding materials and designs for a promotional booth at the art events.

Chair Shank reported that he had no new information and asked that the item be discussed at the next regular meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Consider and act upon, the Public Arts Advisory Board Minutes of June 15, 2023 (Carole Ehrlich, Public Arts Advisory Board Coordinator)

PAC Ehrlich reported that there was a typo in the agenda and the minute date was incorrect but the correct minutes for June 15, 2023 were included in the packet.

Board Action

A motion was made by board member Treadwell, seconded by board member Jones to approve the Public Arts Advisory Board minutes from June 15, 2023 as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

2. Consider and act upon, the Public Arts Advisory Board Minutes of June 15, 2023 (Carole Ehrlich, Public Arts Advisory Board Coordinator)

Board Discussion

PAC Ehrlich asked that the board appoint three members to serve on this year's Wylie Arts Festival review panel. This panel will review applications received. Board members Steve Shank, Esther Bellah, and Joseph Murdock volunteered to serve on the committee, Board member Treadway volunteered to be the alternate.

Board Action

A motion was made by board members Treadway, seconded by board member Jones to approved the three-member panel to include board members Steve Shank, Esther Bellah, and Joseph Murdock with board member Treadway as the alternate. A vote was taken and passed 7-0.

3. Consider and act upon, a Public Arts Advisory Chair for 2023-2024 (Carole Ehrlich, Public Arts Advisory Board Coordinator)

Board Action

A motion was made by board member Shank, seconded by board member Treadway to appoint Esther Bellah for a one-year term as Chair of the Public Arts Advisory Board. A vote was taken and passed 7-0.

4. Consider and act upon, a Public Arts Advisory Board Vice Chair for 2023-2024 (Carole Ehrlich, Public Arts Advisory Board Coordinator)

Board Action

A motion was made by board member Treadway, seconded by board member Bellah to appoint Steve Shank for a one-year term as Vice Chair of the Public Arts Advisory Board. A vote was taken and passed 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Action

A motion was made by board member Jones, seconded by board member Treadway to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. A vote was taken and the motion carried 7-0.

Steve Shank, Chair

ATTEST:

Carole Ehrlich, Secretary