

Rahr-West Art Museum
Board of Director Minutes
July 18, 2018

Present: Diana Bolander, Carrie Estrella, Amy Gehrig, Candice Giesen, Mike Halla, Patrick Neuenfeldt, Steve Proszenyak, Dolly Stokes, Greg Vadney, HaLeigh Zipperer

Absent: Amy Fricke-Weigel, Phil Hoff, Lori Kirby, Erin LaBonte, Jeremiah Novak,

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Proszenyak at 11:59a.

2. Public Input

Alder Gabriel was in attendance as a community member. She provided an update regarding the Public Arts Committee. She has reached out to the Spirit of the Rivers directors on behalf of the Public Arts Committee to collaborate on more sustainable funding options for public arts.

3. Minutes – President

Motion was made by Halla, seconded by Neuenfeldt, and unanimously approved by the board to accept the June minutes as written.

4. Review of Financial Accounts

No questions.

5. President Report-Steven Proszenyak

a. Welcome to newly elected Board Members

b. Election of Board Officers

The following Board Officers were elected and unanimously approved:

Board President: Steve Proszenyak

Board Vice President: Michael Halla

Board Secretary: Lori Kirby

c. Committee Sign Ups

Committee assignments are as follows:

Buildings & Grounds (meets 2nd Monday at 2p, odd months): Amy Fricke-Weigel, Amy Gehrig, Mike Halla

Collections (meets 3rd Tuesday at 5p): Phil Hoff, Patrick Neuenfeldt, Dolly Stokes

Development (meets 2nd Monday at 1p): Amy Fricke-Weigel, Candice Giesen, Mike Halla, Erin LaBonte, Steve Proszenyak, HaLeigh Zipperer

Education & Exhibitions (meets 2nd Friday at noon): Phil Hoff, Erin LaBonte, Steve Proszenyak, HaLeigh Zipperer

Marketing/Membership (meets 3rd Wednesday at 11a): Carrie Estrella, Amy Fricke-Weigel, Amy Gehrig, Lori Kirby

Public Arts (meets 1st Thursday at 8a): Carrie Estrella, Erin LaBonte, Patrick Neuenfeldt, Dolly Stokes

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Board Members were offered the opportunity to add or remove their names from committee assignments.

- d. Education Committee--Proszenyak
Did not meet
 - e. Membership/Marketing Committee –Proszenyak
Did not meet
 - f. Buildings & Grounds Committee –Proszenyak
Meeting scheduled for July 23.
 - g. Public Arts Committee—Estrella
Committee met at the end of June. They have been working on the fence wrap project. Schoolopoly participant forms were traced and will be used for the shadows on fence wrap. The committee is also working with the HTR to begin a weekly newspaper column. A spreadsheet was created to help delegate responsibilities for column. The projection project for the Milwaukee PC building is on hold, pending the sale of the building.
 - h. Development Committee--Proszenyak
The committee met and went over drawings received from landscaper. They discussed plans and ideas for presentation to potential donations. The next step is get digital and 3D designs for presentation.
6. Director Report--Vadney
Currently the Modern Masters and R.T. Wallen exhibits are on display. The Wallen public opening reception was well attended. The Really Big Prints event was held at UW Manitowoc the week of July 9. The prints will be hung in the Ruth West Gallery, opening July 22. There will be no public reception. The Art of Conversation: Making An Impression-Letterpress Printing with the Hamilton Wood Type & Printing Museum, will be held July 26 at 1pm.
- A security guard candidate has been selected. Pending results from the pre-employment physical, they will start in August.
- Vadney has had several face to face meetings with several potential sponsors. Exhibit sponsors have been secured for Members and County Artist Show, Tablesettings, and Christmas in the Mansion. Sponsorship funds will be mainly used for marketing purposes, but also for exhibition updates.
- Art Slam activities are planned for September 14-16. There is a mural project in a parking lot on Jay Street which is spearheaded by Erin LaBonte. The Rahr-West will be a partner on this public art project as it is public property. Vadney is working with Kathleen McDaniel on waivers for project participants.
- Sputnikfest meetings are being held, with focus on specific areas. Sign-ups are available for Ms. Space Debris and Sci-Fi Trivia contest. Coloring contest pages are also available. Melissa will send out volunteer sign up schedule. Each Board member has been provided an envelope with 10 tickets for the alien drop raffle to sell.
7. Rahr-West Friends Committee Report—Gehrig & Vadney

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The Friends bus trip to Door County is July 24. The bus is full. Kitchen renovations are underway. The painter has been working on wall paper removal and will begin painting. Cabinets have been removed and new cabinets will be here at the end of August. The cost of abatement came in and will be within the project's budget. Kathy Halla contacted the Historical Society to find out if they had any old pictures of the house or the kitchen. The Historical Society sent Greg several pictures of the house from the 1940's era. An image of the kitchen shows the Chiklit ceremonial robe hanging. This helps to provide a point of reference as to when the robe was received into the collection.

8. Foundation Report-Vice President Mike Halla
Foundation financial accounts were reviewed. The next Foundation Board meeting will be held July 24.
9. Collection Report—Bolander
No report at this time.
10. Old Business
None
11. Adjourn
A motion was made by Halla, seconded by Neuenfeldt, and unanimously approved by the board to adjourn at 12:32p.

Submitted by Melissa Franz, Administrative Support Specialist