



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2017**



The meeting of the Arts Commission of April 10, 2017 was held at 10:00 a.m. at Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, 500 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

Present: Pamela Bright-Moon
Darnella Davidson
Eric Eisenberg
Helen Hernandez
Constance Jolcuvar
Bettina Korek
Alis Clausen Odenthal
Norma Provencio Pichardo
Liz Schindler Johnson
David Valdez
Hope Warschaw
Rosalind Wyman

Absent:
(Excused) Eric Hanks
Claudia Margolis
Claire Peeps

Staff
Present: Leticia Buckley, Director of Communications
Miriam Gonzalez, Executive Assistant
Anji Gaspar Milanovic, Director of Grants and Professional Development
Bronwyn Mauldin, Director of Research and Evaluation
Megan Kirkpatrick, Senior Manager
Brandon Turner, Administrative Services Manager

Also Present: Mark Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor, 2nd District
Randi Tahara, Arts Deputy, 2nd District
Rosalind Wayman, Arts Deputy, 5th District
Kaile Shilling, Executive Director, Arts for Incarcerated Youth Network
Paulette Goldsberry
Alisa Covington
Cynthia Heard
Terri Holoman
Everett Moon
Maurice Simmons
Anthony Samad
William Bright

President Korek called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

Absentee Excuses

Roll was taken and on a motion by Commissioner Warschaw, seconded by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, the excused absences for the meeting of April 10, 2017 were unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Wyman, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, and unanimously accepted to approve the minutes for the meeting of March 13, 2017.

Installation of Officers

Supervisor Ridley-Thomas congratulated Pamela Bright-Moon and administered the oath of office to the 2017-18 officers. The following slate of officers were installed:

Pamela Bright-Moon, President
Eric Eisenberg, Vice President
Helen Hernandez, Secretary
Constance Jolcuvar, Executive Committee
Bettina Korek, Immediate Past President

Arts Deputy Rosalind Wayman thanked outgoing president Bettina Korek and presented her with a certificate.

Correspondence

Commissioner Hernandez circulated the following two letters:

- A letter from Ms. Bette Solomon, President of the Board of Directors of the Pasadena Community Orchestra, thanking Supervisor Barger and the Arts Commission for the organizational grant received for 2015-17 to support free community programs.
- A letter from Ms. Varina Bleil, Executive Director of the American Youth Symphony, thanking the Arts Commission for the organizational grant received for 2015-17 for its annual Hollywood Project concert,

President's Items

President Bright-Moon made the following committee appointments to fill current vacancies:

Eric Eisenberg, Civic Art Committee, Chair
Liz Schindler Johnson, Arts Internship Program
Darnella Davidson, Cultural Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee Member

President Bright-Moon informed Commissioner's she is scheduling a planning meeting on June 26, 2017 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Staff Report

Grace Ramirez Gaston, Director of Civic Art, reported the Arts Commission has been invited to compete in the Homeless Initiative Accessory Dwelling Unit Design competition.

Anji Gaspar Milanovic, Director of Grants and Professional Development, distributed the Organizational Grant Program Timeline ([attached](#)) and gave an overview of the panel comments binder in preparation for the April 24, 2017 commission meeting. She also distributed an informational sheet on how grant awards are calculated ([attached](#)).

Cultural Equity and Inclusion Initiative (CEII) Report Update

Commissioner Hernandez, CEII co-chair, along with Leticia Buckley, Director of Communications, gave an overview of the CEII report presentation to the Board of Supervisors on April 4, 2017. The Board unanimously approved a motion instructing the Arts Commission to move on four of the 13 CEII recommendations and directed the CEO to provide a report during the June 2017 budget deliberations outlining recommendations on funding these initiatives. The four recommendations under consideration are: Cultural Policy for LA County, a requirement for arts organizations funded by the County to have written, board-approved diversity policies or plans,

work-based Learning Centers for teens, and the expansion of the Arts Internship Program to include additional opportunities set aside for community college students.

Arts Access Datathon

Bronwyn Mauldin, Director of Research and Evaluation, gave an overview of the upcoming Art Access Datathon on April 22, 2017 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will convene the public to review existing datasets with a goal to improve access to the arts. Ms. Mauldin also presented the artsdatathon.org website.

Renaming of Arts Education Program

Ms. Buckley presented the new name of the arts education program, Los Angeles County *Arts Education Collective (Arts Ed Collective)*.

Ms. Buckley also distributed information about the Arts Education Profile ([attached](#)), a survey designed to identify the quality, quantity and equity of arts education in LA County public schools. Commissioners were also provided with a list of school districts that have not completed the survey to date

Probation Department Cross Collaboration with Arts Education

Megan Kirkpatrick, Arts Education Senior Manager, and Kaile Shilling, Executive Director of Arts for Incarcerated Youth Network, gave an overview of the arts education partnership with the LA County Probation Department. The network includes 10 nonprofit arts organizations representing a variety of arts disciplines that currently provide arts programming to the juvenile justice centers.

Commissioner Items

None.

Public Comment

None.

The Arts Commission meeting of April 10, 2017 was adjourned on motion by Commissioner Valdez, seconded by Commissioner Pichardo, and unanimously approved at 11:58 a.m.