



Evanston Arts Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 17th

6:30 p.m.

Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue, Room 2404

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: at 6:43

2. Public Comment:

a. St. Matthew's Episcopal Community Labyrinth was present to answer further questions about their project and to give additional information about the property layout.

3. Approve Meeting Minutes (Packet)

Tabled until December meeting.

4. Staff Report

News and Developments:

- Bright Nights successful
- Art of Normal opens 11/19/15 on second floor of Morton Civic Center
- Cultural Fund Grant Cycle begins December 1st
- Ordinance draft goes before City Council tentatively in December

5. Subcommittee Reports

Updates:

- Janet Austin Sculpture - delayed while Parks and Rec gets approval from various ecology groups
- Annette Patko – Subcommittee recommends asking her to revise the project before the Arts Council can support it.
- St. Matthew's Labyrinth Project - Subcommittee was not in favor of this project. Concerned about funding a project on church property, allocating tax money to do a project on church property and setting precedence. Also felt it would be difficult for public to access it.

- Ms. Riseborough and Ms. Bass introduced Public Art Criteria Sheet for proposed projects.

Actions:

Ms. Riseborough motioned to write a letter to Janet Austin explaining the delay and discussing the title and the base. Seconded by Ms. Axelrood.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Riseborough motioned to delay determination of financial support pending revisions to the Patko project (implementation plan, defined criteria of how the subjects are chosen and funding partnerships). Mr. Robinson seconded.

Motion carried. Ms. Bass abstained.

Ms. Riseborough motioned NOT to fund the St. Matthew's Labyrinth Project. Ms. Axelrood seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

6. New Business

Term renewals: Ms. Riseborough motioned to renew terms for Greg Allen, Carole Bass, Lisa Degliantoni, Dino Robinson, Fran Joy and Nan Stein (advisory). Ms. Axelrood seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

7. Communications

- Need policies and procedures for public art processes. Mr. Robinson will chair working group to develop process for NPAF. Group will look to see what other cities are doing.
- Would like to commission a project to collect digital pictures of all public art in Evanston to be placed on website by Summer of 2016.
- Discussion about "borrowing" bust of Frances Willard as well as a possible sculpture honoring her. Subcommittee will discuss further and come back to Arts Council with a recommendation.

8. Adjournment

Motion: Ms. Axelrood

Seconded: Ms. Degliantoni. Motion passed.

Attendance: Lisa Degliantoni, Anne Berkeley, Fran Joy, Gay Riseborough, Helen Axelrood, Judith Cohen, Dino Robinson, Carole Bass, Greg Allen

Presiding Member: Lisa Degliantoni

Staff: Jennifer Lasik