

**SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

Meeting Date: November 15, 2000
4:00-6:30 p.m.

Central Library/WEST Meeting Room-Floor Level
828 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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COMMISSIONERS:

Donald E. Sronce
Marcy Friedman
Gerry N. Kamilos
Gloria A. Woodlock
Quan Van Le

John Wong
R. Burnett Miller
Bernadette Chiang
Yvonne Bonacci

I. CALLED TO ORDER at the hour of 4:15 p.m by Commissioner Kamilos

Present: Chiang, Friedman, Kamilos, Le, Miller, Sronce, Woodlock Absent: 0 Excused: Bonacci, Wong

II. APPROVED AGENDA OF NOVEMBER 15, 2000

Moved: Miller Seconded: Sronce Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

III - V. APPROVED MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2000, SEPTEMBER 21 AND JULY 19, 2000

Moved: Miller Seconded: Friedman Yes: 7 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

VII. ACTION ITEMS:

A. APPROVED COMMITTEE MEMBERS (KAMILOS);

*PATRICIA OSFELD - AWARDS COMMITTEE
RHYENA HALPERN - AWARDS COMMITTEE
ERIKA JACKSON - AWARDS COMMITTEE*

ARTS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: APPROVE Meeting _____ Ayes 4 Noes 0 Absent 5
Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Sronce

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Sronce Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 2

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• APPROVED NOMINATION FOR COMMISSION CHAIR (KAMILOS)

John Wong was nominated for commission chair. It was recommended that Mr. Wong be placed on the December 13, 2000 agenda for approval.

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Kamilos Seconded: Woodlock Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 2

• APPROVED YEAR 2000 WILKERSON FELLOWSHIPS FOR TECHNICAL ARTS (HELLER)

Heller gave a report on the Year 2000 Wilkerson Fellowships for the Technical Arts. Public testimony was heard from applicants and community members. The following is staff's summation of that testimony:

- Steve Vanoni asked the Commission to honor the panel's recommendation that made the decision as to who they picked to honor with the award.
- Jim Normington asked that the panel's desires be honored. He did ask that the Commission consider reconvening a new panel for all categories and not single out Commissioner's Award so that the process is fair to all categories.
- Stephen Holsapple stated he was surprised by the amount of recourse applicants had after the process was done as compared to other professional awards.
- Stephen Passerell seconded Mr. Holsapple's comments.
- Polly Powell supported the convening of a new panel.
- Douglas Webber stated that he felt the judges were fair.
- Leonard Valdez agreed with the staff's recommendation that the Wilkerson category be added to each artistic discipline
- Michael Benjamin voiced concern over the lack of awards given to people of color and felt that balance was needed.
- Debra Madison voiced her concerns about the awards process and the problems she experienced.
- Miriam Gray commented on several points of disagreement.
- John Jimenez stated that Sacramento was lucky to have the only award of this type in the nation.
- Mike Jimena stated last year he and others had to accept the Panel's recommendations.

Several commissioners spoke and noted that this is a good program which needs greater clarity and that they felt everyone involved had a fair and open process/hearing. The Commission agreed to approve the panel's recommendation with Normington to receive \$5,000 and Duffy and Osborne to receive \$1,000 each.

AWARDS COMMITTEE; APPROVE Meeting _____ Ayes 3 Noes 0 Absent 1

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Le Seconded: Woodlock Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 2

VII. PRESENTATION(S): None

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEM(S) None

IX. PUBLIC TESTIMONY - None

X. CHAIR'S REPORT - None

XI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT - None

XII. OLD OR NEW BUSINESS - None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. by Kamilos.