

THE MINUTES OF THE
SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN ARTS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 1985

Commissioners Present:

Carol Borden
Judy Gordon
Pam Johnson
Laurie Smith
Gerald Treaster
Audrey Tsuruda, Chair
Dennis Wilkerson

Commissioners Absent:

John Horrell
James G. Neagle
Diana Perham
David Rible

Excused

1. The April 3, 1985 meeting was called to order at 4:09 p.m.
2. The minutes of the March 5, 1985 Commission meeting were approved.
3. Chair Report (Tsuruda): The Chair introduced and welcomed Wendy Ceccherelli as Director of the Metropolitan Arts Division. She will begin her appointment April 8.

The terms of four commissioners will expire at the end of July.

4. Committee Reports:

Executive Committee (Neagle): To date Chair Tsuruda and Director Moskin have met with City Council members Chinn, Shore, Kastanis (chair of the Transportation and Community Development Committee), Pope, Smallman, and Johnson regarding the cultural amenities resolution.

The committee is continuing its efforts to develop a list of potential members to serve on the ~~Advisory~~ ^{CAMMY} Committee. After viewing the list, Borden noted that minorities were not represented and asked that attention be paid to create a balance on the ~~Advisory~~ ^{CAMMY} Committee. A committee description will be developed.

Smith updated the Commission on Folsom's efforts to form its own arts commission. Smith wrote a letter to the Folsom Cultural Alliance indicating SMAC's commitment to assist/advise the commission. Smith stated that its formation was a good sign of Folsom's involvement in the arts but questioned its financial feasibility.

Advocacy Committee (Tsuruda): Tsuruda received a letter from Marilyn Ryan, California Arts Council, acknowledging SMAC's recommendation of Muriel Johnson to the CAC board.

Art in Public Places Committee (Johnson): The Committee is reviewing APP policies and will make recommendations to the Commission in May.

Siah Armajani will speak at UC Davis tonight at 7:30 p.m.

The Commission unanimously approved a change in location of the site for artwork at the Mental Health Facility to the front reception area (moved - Johnson, second - Borden). The County project was previously approved by the Commission in March.

Henry Ortiz's proposal (Alkali Flat Station, Light Rail) was shown to the Commission. The proposal consists of two tile murals, one Victorian motif, the other Mexican Indian motif, and will be placed approximately one block from each other. Common colors will be used. The Alkali Flat PAC officially approved the Mexican Indian motif and informally approved the Victorian motif. The Commission unanimously approved the Alkali Flat Station, Light Rail proposal by Henry Ortiz (moved - Johnson, second - Borden).

Program Committee (Neagle): Wilkerson reported in Neagle's absence. Wilkerson received the Commission's permission to ask the Arts Advisory Committee on the Disabled for a more appropriate name for the committee. The committee met and reviewed/revised a survey on accessibility developed by the National Endowment for the Arts (using federal guidelines) and discussed ways to best utilize the survey. The committee will also review Access California, a survey developed for the City of Oakland (using state guidelines). The committee plans to invite a reviewer from the print media to its next meeting to discuss ways to inform the public on access to arts activities. The Sacramento Theatre Company, a recipient of a county cultural award, received technical assistance from the State Mobility Access Section to become accessible. The cost of construction amounted to \$1,500. Wilkerson said that this was a good example of how sites for arts programming can become accessible without major financial hardships.

Cultural Awards Committee (Rible): Wilkerson reported in Rible's absence. The committee met with large organizations to discuss revising guidelines to separate large from small organizations. At this date, the large groups were neutral to or opposed to separating the groups - they do not want to alienate the smaller organizations. Ideas discussed included recruiting volunteers, soliciting political support, and pooling information. The largest need was general audience funding support. The committee will meet with the panel members to create policy statements before going to the Board of Supervisors in May.

CAMMY (Neagle): A ceremony to announce CAMMY winners was held March 23 at the Crocker Art Museum. The winners were: Structures -

State Capitol and grounds; Spaces - Gibson Ranch Swimming Hole; Treasures - I Street Bridge; Other - Trees of the city and county of Sacramento. The State Capitol was also the winner of the CAMMY Award.

The committee is working on revisions for next year. The committee will need a Commission representative when Neagle's term expires in July.

5. Director's Report (Moskin): The Deaccessioning of CETA Artworks was approved by City Council.

The Commission brochure is nearing the point of completion.

Moskin referred to the budget materials distributed at the meeting (FY 1984-85 Budget Summary, FY 1985-86 Projected Budget Summary, Trust Fund Report, Metro Fund). Change: Projected Budget Summary - "Other Corporate" line item will be less and "Earned Income" line item should be more (because of conference planned). The Trust Fund represents a portion of the APP Capital Improvement Project. The Metro Fund represents earned income.

At his last Commission meeting as Director of SMAC, Bill spoke of the Commission's humble beginnings (Proposition 13 era), its growth and sophistication throughout the years and expressed his high hopes for its future. Tsuruda presented Bill with a parting gift from the Commission - a glass name plate of Bill's signature made by Commissioner David Rible.

6. Old Business: Borden announced that the first in a series of four lectures on quality design and sensible planning in urban areas, called "City Talks", will be held April 18th. For more information call the SMAC office.
7. New Business: Tsuruda announced a vacancy on the Sacramento Community Cable Foundation. A copy of the announcement will be mailed to commissioners.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Wong
Secretary