

City of Auburn Arts Commission, City Hall Annex, One Main, Conference Room 2
Tuesday, May 6, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Present: Nancy Colson, Charlotte Gollnick, Jan Jensen, Colleen Maloney, DeNae McGee, Feney Perez, Ronie Schwend, Arts Coordinator, Maija McKnight. Excused: Nickole Evans-Buck, Dan Norman, Donna Smart, Laura Westergard, Greg Watson.

1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Introductions and Approval of Minutes:

Chair Colleen called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm. Commissioner Schwend moved to approve the April 2014 meeting minutes. Commissioner Colson seconded the motion. All approved. Motion approved.

2. Performing Arts 2014 -15 Season

Staff Maija McKnight provided an overview of the history of the BRAVO Performing Arts Season and the Auburn Avenue Theater programming and outlined some of the goals and rationale in which programming decisions are made. Jim Kleinbeck, Theater Coordinator, provided an overview of all the programming that will be offered as part of the performing arts season from September 2014 – June 2015. The performances include a variety of types and styles and have new talent and past favorites. Highlights of the season include the wide variety of tribute artists that will be performing, the popular Comedy at the Ave series and the Ave Kids Series. The contracts for the performances are currently being completed, and staff are working on writing descriptions for the performances and working towards a season brochure and marketing materials that will be widely distributed in August. McKnight reminded the commission that the Auburn Performing Arts Center will be closed for renovation for all of next year and noted that some bookings have been made for the 2015/2016 season.

McKnight noted that screening films has had mixed audience draw and discussion continued on ideas for continuing to screen films at the Auburn Avenue Theater. Ideas included pairing films with book clubs, comicon/anime films, documentaries, classic horror film series, sci fi film series, and foreign films.

IV. Updates/Announcements/Upcoming Events

Past programs

- Saturday, April 5, 7pm – Classical Connoisseur: A pairing of music and wine
- Sunday, April 6, 2:30 pm – Cab Calloway Orchestra
- Thursday, April 26, 7 pm – Downtown Sculpture Gallery Walking Tour
- Visual Art Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 16, 4pm, and made selections for ArtRageous Zone artists
- Thursday, May 1, 7:30 pm – BYU Singers
- Saturday, May 3, Clean Sweep

Upcoming/Current Programs

- Friday, May 9, 5-9 pm – Auburn Art Walk and Wine Tasting
- Friday, May 17, 10 – 5 pm – Petpalooza
- Through May 30 at City Hall Gallery – Green River Community College Art Faculty Exhibition

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm

Respectfully submitted, Maija McKnight