

**City of Auburn Arts Commission, City Hall Annex, One Main, Conference Room 1
Tuesday, January 7, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

Present: Nancy Colson, Nickole Evans-Buck, Colleen Maloney, DeNae McGee, Dan Norman, Ronie Schwend, Greg Watson, Laura Westergard, Council Liaison Rich Wagner, Arts Coordinator Maija McKnight, Arts and Events Manager Julie Brewer.

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

Chair Colleen called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Commissioner McGee moved to approve the December 2013 meeting minutes with a Scribner's error correction of the year. Nicole Evans-Buck seconded the motion. All approved. Motion approved.

Commissioner Nancy Colson and other Commissioners extended their congratulations to Council Member Rich Wagner for his recent re-election and position as Deputy Mayor.

II. Arts Project Support and Regrant

The City of Auburn receives Local Arts Agency Sustained Support Funding through 4Culture, the King County Cultural Services Agency. The funds are drawn from county Hotel/Motel tax revenues. Each year the 4Culture Board of Director's adjusts the grant awards on a "sliding scale," based on the annual level of tax revenue received.

In 2014, the City allocated a portion of the funding received to go towards supporting programs produced by other community-based arts organizations that serve the citizens of Auburn and/or that raise the profile of Auburn as an arts and entertainment destination. A grant application to request funding was distributed and published in November with the deadline of December 9, 2013

Copies of the submitted applications were distributed prior to the meeting and the Commission reviewed the grant application criteria. Discussion of each applicant and project occurred.

Commissioner Greg Watson moved that the funding amounts granted to be as follows:

- Auburn International Farmers Market , Performances/artists participate on selected Market days - \$2,000
- Auburn Food Bank, Empty Bowls - \$725
- Auburn Symphony Orchestra Sunset Chamber Series at the Mary Olson Farm - \$2,000
- Auburn Art Walk printed materials and signage - \$1,000
- Auburn Valley Creative Arts, Visiting Curators for Gallery Exhibitions - \$2,000
- Pacific Ballroom Dance, Dancing Classrooms - \$1075
- Striped Water Poets, Monthly "Poetry at the Station Bistro" - \$1,200
- White River Valley Museum Small Works, Big Presents: The Gift of Art - \$2,000

Commissioner Dan Norman seconded the motion. All approved. Motion approved.

Organizations that requested funding but were not funded include Auburn Days Festival and the Auburn Valley Creative Arts/Library Class Project.

III. Updates and Upcoming Events

Staff Maija McKnight noted upcoming agenda items would include discussion of a potential Cultural Arts Action Plan as well as opportunities for Public Art.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6 pm

Respectfully submitted, Maija McKnight