

**NASHVILLE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION MEETING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2019**

Meeting held at BC Community Foundation building. Commission members in attendance: Michele Wedel, Anabel Hopkins, Cathy Martin, Heather Nicholson, Chuck Wills, Melanie Volland, Jonathan Bolte. Commission members not in attendance: Jessica George and Jayme Hood.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

1) CALL TO ORDER

President Wedel called the meeting to order at 10:00am. The Commission members determined that any action items would need to be voted upon by the whole commission at a regular meeting.

2) REVIEW OF BUDGET AND FUNDING SOURCES

The Commission reviewed documents provided that included "NAEC 2019 actual budget numbers", "NAEC future look budget numbers" and "NAEC Financials as of 11/8/19". There will be about \$460 left from the town budget which cannot be carried over.

The Commission discussed possible uses including more stickers or vendor leaves. They still have 5 vendor leaves available. (In later discussion, Cathy said Denny Smith makes the metal leaves for \$45 apiece.) Cathy will update who needs a leaf and who needs to return leaves. We talked about new outreach groups for stickers including food, artists, shopping, alcohol. Chuck said there is plenty of time to order new stickers.

Someone asked about brochures and was told the CVB was paying for printing. The Commission discussed the brochure and designated Melanie (head), Anabel, Cathy and Jonathan to meet then meet with CVB Director Jane Ellis and the 360 Group to discuss the brochure. We can completely redo the brochure and discussed having a map. Jonathan suggested this could be done separately and revised more often. Heather suggested bringing the Chamber of Commerce into the discussion. We discussed the inclusion of county sites (our spokes) which we want to do. Also discussed other entities such as food and alcohol establishments as the Indiana Artisan includes. After quite a bit of discussion, the sub-group will need to get started soon to meet the CVB timeline and have the brochure printed with other materials, to save printing costs. We need to determine the "vision" we want the brochure to promote or represent.

3) COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

So far, the status will be:

- Cathy: will stay one year or more.
- Anabel: will stay one year and willing to continue as secretary.
- Michele: will stay one more term but not be president.
- Chuck: will leave but attend some meetings and be a volunteer for specific tasks.
- Jonathan: will stay on one year perhaps.
- Heather: will stay on and willing to stay on as treasurer.
- Melanie's term is not up and of course she is staying.
- We don't know about Jayme or Jess. Michele will talk to them.

No one expressed interest in the presidency at this point. Michele will double check on regulation term lengths.

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Quite a long discussion of potential new members. It was felt we need at least one more working artist. We set priorities to ask folks in order, top priorities being Amy Greeley, Chris Gustin or Michele Pollock from studio tour (Jonathan to ask them), Andra Waters from Guild (Michele or Cathy), Patricia Rhoden Bartels (Anabel), Terri Schultz (Cathy), Robin Vivaldi (Anabel), Tonya Figg (Cathy). Also suggested was Dee Manzenberger active in the Chamber (Heather). Michele will prepare a spreadsheet for all this. We are going to invite those mentioned to future meetings so they can see what is involved. We will have application forms available for them.

4) COMMITTEES


After a brief discussion, the Commission decided this should be put off until our new members are in place in January.

5) ON-GOING PROJECTS FOR 2020 – NOT A PRIORITY LIST

- Seeing our current grants through and completing reports. Region 8 grant has one more project in the spring, Anabel will check to see exactly how much money is left. We will probably do something in conjunction with the school.
- Public art - including maintenance.
- Art Walk
- Collaboration
- Sidewalk stencil (and how to share the stencil)
- Vendor leaves
- Outreach to possible new groups. Expanding with music venues.
- Youth Art Grant (Studio Tour will fund, with NAEC managing) Jonathan will talk with the schools. Perhaps we can contribute with the Region 8 funds for a joint project. For further discussion.
- Pavilion Music Series. Our feeling is to not continue it in present form. Lots of support for a Busker program - our speakers can be used. The NAEC will help pay buskers, something to be discussed with full commission.
- Story Slam Chuck said the slam can't continue in present form. Needs more groups to support, and if do, only in "cold months" and not monthly.
- Public art, discussed the Fairy House. It has been dismantled. Michele will talk with its creator who has offered a refund. We feel he should retain some funds, but we don't want the house back. She will check with Records Clerk Jones on Town regulations concerning this situation.

6) ADJOURNMENT

President Wedel adjourned the meeting at 2pm.



President Michele Wedel

12-12-19

Date