

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Meeting Minutes City of West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission Thursday, December 5, 2013

1. Meeting called to order at 7:11pm. Commission members in attendance: Lew Achenbach, Rosalinda Delgado, Mandy Rakow, Anni Holm, Heide Morris and Sara Phalen, and City liaison Rosemary Mackey. Meeting was chaired by Anni Holm in absence of Buddy Plumlee.
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2013: Lew made a motion to approve the minutes with edits, seconded by Heide, Motion passed.
3. Transition of Gallery 200 Update: Rosemary and Sara met with Pete and will transition the Gallery website to PMV ownership prior to January 1, 2014. Rosemary is going to talk to Rob about changing the locks on both doors of the Gallery; the door between the upstairs and downstairs needs to remain unlocked for fire reasons to have two exit points.
4. Banner Project Update: Lew sent out a message to John about status of him working on banners but has not heard anything back; the banners will be cover story in Jan/Feb Windows; Rosemary spoke to new superintendent of Dist 94 and he wants to learn more about the commission and possible collaborations; it was decided that it is not worth doing another informational meeting for possible banner entries, but in the future a workshop to have work photographed and pay a small fee might be nice (maybe include with call for art a set date to do this-have people register to do this); still need to look at places to send call for art (People Resource Center and library-Sara will give them a stack of entry forms); the question was raised about things needed to be specific for underage entrants-Rosemary will look into this; everyone is going to work on boosting; Sara will give stack of call to art to Mandy to take to COD; Anni send to Waterstreet; possible juror-Anni will think on someone who has an interest and perhaps look to Waterstreet for one.
5. Local Music Night: Christmas themed show coming up on Friday, December 13-first time performer Christopher "Fitter", Rita Ruby and Sleight Street, Ariel Hodge is the visual artist, her father works at General Mills.
6. Gallery 200 Update: wonderful wearable show is set up for tomorrow night, a couple of non-members artists are also taking part; Frosty Fest demos on Saturday, 2 new artists-jewelry and metal work and the other is a painter (both are residents).
7. City Hall Art: Buddy stuff is down so the City Museum's pieces will go up, we need to work on schedule for this (need to put up a sign about what this is-frame it; Sara will work on this) -question was raised if it is possible for non-Wego people to be featured? Such as Phoebe who lives in Winfield; could this be extended to have a satellite at the library?-case and artists take turn displaying there; change in April and go back to quarterly rotation
8. Other Business

- a. Rosemary got some new banners for the "summer cycle" to go with the (bi)cycle theme

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9. Announcements

- a. Museum show Where History and Progress Meets opens tomorrow night

10. Adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Phalen