

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

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Approved June 5, 2014

**City of West Chicago
Cultural Arts Commission
Thursday, May 1, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05pm. Commission members in attendance: Buddy Plumlee, Anni Holm, Heide Morris, Mandy Rakow, Rosie Delgado, Angelo T, Lew Achenbach, and Sara Phalen, and City liaison Rosemary Mackey. Guest Marlene Klok.
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2014: Anni made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Heide, Motion passed.
3. Artéculture: Heide is coordinating with the High School for drop off of display boards to be dropped off on Monday, May 12th, Rosie has tables if we need extras, Saturday, May 17th- 9am-3pm (Buddy, Rosie can help staff, some Gallery staffing), Thursday night 6-8pm (Rosie) and Saturday noon-2pm (Buddy); Sara mailed out letters, Rosemary did eblast and put it in newsletter and has been tweeting about it and getting lots of movement from that; Plan is to Install on May 12 and 13 (Sara and Heide and anyone else that can help out; reception money in our budget-\$150; Anni will shop for reception (food-fruit and veggies; rolls, plates napkins).
4. Banner Project Update: Sara okayed the drafts sent over today, Heide walked and did the layout for street and Sara will create the brochure based on that, original art is at the Museum and will stay up through September; Sara sent banner names to Heide for ballot to be created and will change wording to gift from WCCAC; there was a discussion and thoughts to move deadline up December so we have more time to work on banners; Myrna has offered to design the banners next year which will help us with work load; a brief discussion was had about themes-uniformity, something tied to "Healthy West Chicago", we will decide in June; banner reception add \$50 to Anni buying Artculture –Heide can set up; Heide will make nametags for reception.
5. 2014 Public Art Project: Anni talked to Park District briefly and Jesse seemed very open to doing something and Anni reached out to Danish artist who works with tree/outside sculptures-this year is bad for him, but he is open to do it next year; talk about restoring one of the downtown murals; would have a short list of artists to approach and still send out a call for art; issues of having a crew- but who controls it, if the building is not one that can easily be reached from the ground, would also be an issue of scaffolding-would be a large expense; any call for art would need to have a quick turnaround (has to have a historical reference), would want to find someone with experience working with a crew (community/local crew); Rosie will check to see if it is possible to have Wheaton Academy students for volunteers; would be good to look for someone to donate materials; Sara will talk to Mike Lellios about building; Rosemary check out our options.

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6. Scholarship: there is \$424 to be awarded, it was agreed upon that the award this year would be for \$400, a vote was taken and Natalie Farrell was selected, Lew moved that Natalie be awarded \$400, Rosie seconded, the motion passed.

7. Other Business:
 - a. Marlene Klok, visiting Danish artist presented her project "A Glimpse of Life", she is reaching out to the community and looking for people who have a collection of items, she is photographing them and the slide show will be at the museum through August.

8. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Phalen