

# CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved on August 7, 2014

## City of West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission Thursday, June 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. Commission members in attendance: Anni Holm, Heide Morris, Mandy Rakow, Angelo Tripani, and Sara Phalen. City liaison Rosemary Mackey was also in attendance.
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2014: Angelo made the addition to the minutes of the scaffolding issues/costs. Anni made a motion to approve the minutes with changes, seconded by Angelo, Motion passed.
3. Artéculture Followup: overall there were 38 pieces, 22 artists that participated, a successful event for the first year. We need to add a return receipt to the bottom of the entry form for next year, that can be torn off at drop off so artists bring something back to pickup. People's Choice winner was Dianne Gage for the Caterpillar Baby piece; commission winner are Colm Keeney for student and Judy Knaak adult. We need to also add an email line on the voting sheet so people do not fill out multiple ballots. Sara will make a new mailing list off of the entry forms. PMV/Gallery 200 has also purchased new mobile walls that can be used next year so we don't have to borrow the High Schools. We do need more people to help with drop off and installation and to help staff the show during Blooming. We may need to personally contact volunteers for next year. Sara will contact winner and awards will be given at City Council on August 4th. The event raised \$180 for the high school artists scholarship- Heide will go drop off the money. Food for the reception was a little over \$100. Sara will also coordinate with Diane Gage to have an exhibit at City Hall and run it August-September. Heide will work on securing gift certificate from the paletteria. Each winner will get \$25 each.
4. Banner Project Update: 4 artists came to the Blooming Fest reception, art is hanging in the museum and will be until September with the (Bi)Cycle of Life exhibit, we will try to coordinate this again next year with the museum. Two themes were given for possible 2015 "On Parade" and "A vision/picture of health." Due to the launch of the Healthy West Chicago initiative, "A Picture of Health" was chosen as the theme. New deadline of December 12. Sara will send over a picture to be used for the sample. Anni will work to secure a juror and have juror decide on pieces by end of January, present them at February meeting and get working with Mryna on designs as soon as possible after that. Heide will look at any revisions the banner form and work with Sara and Rosemary to finalize those.
5. 2014 Public Art Project: we were invited to participate in a public art project that is culminating on August 19 to launch United Way's neighborhood network with WeGo Together for Kids, which is 10 year United Way funding opportunity. The group is looking for an interactive art piece that the entire community can come to launch and work on in some form; the DuPage Children's Museum is also a partner. The launch event is a 3 hour event and the art piece would be on display then and be added to; there was a discussion of how much can be done in 3 hours or would it have to be finished afterword and a lot of prep before (could be input before); all agreed it was a good way to partner and get a public art piece rolling; Heide suggested a tile event that could be painted-poses some issues as to mounting; additional idea of mosaic tiles, Anni will represent the commission and Sara will represent the commission and city museum to the United Way group; Will work within the symbolic theme of the "network" idea (Education, income and health-three pillars coming into the community); Sara moved for the group to take part; Mandy seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

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6. Logo: Heide will work on designing a new logo based on discussion and her initial mock-up and present in July.
  
7. Other Business:
  - a. none
  
8. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Phalen