

PUBLIC ARTS BOARD
Minutes – March 19, 2014

Meeting called to order at 6:46 p.m.

A) Roll Call –

Members Present: Linda Wells, Barbara Heller, Phyllis Klinger, Diane Kowaleski, Emily Abbott (Student Rep.)

Members Absent: Virginia Reynolds, Kathryn Ambrose, Sally Parsons, Meredith Sherbin (Student Rep.)

Administration: Matthew Baka

B) Approval of Minutes – January 15, 2014

Motion by Kowaleski, to approve the meeting minutes for January 15, 2014.

Seconded by Wells

Yeas: 4 Nays: 0

C) Unfinished Business

None

D) New Business

1. Spring 2014 Public Art Lecture

Heller provided the Board with a verbal update regarding the planned public art lecture to feature artist Scott Slocum, who also worked as an assistant to Marshall Fredericks. The lecture is to take place sometime before the bus tour on 6/21. Barbara Heller explained the details of Library lectures. Library staff will coordinate the room reservations and promotions.

2. 2014 Birmingham in Stitches Project

The Board discussed the plans for 2014. Baka presented the poll of past participants complete by Wuerth regarding interest and supplies. Possible display areas and themes were also discussed. A press release will need to be created by staff to increase promotions. Discussion was held regarding promoting the event at the Farmers Market and Art fair.

3. Potential Dates for LaRue-Johnson Dedication

The dedication event is scheduled for May 1st at 4pm. The donor and her family, City Commission, Neighborhood Association and general public will be invited to attend. Staff will request that Mayor Moore give a brief speech at the Ceremony.

E) Committee Reports

The Charity Poker event was held March 16 – 19 at Big Beaver Tavern. Two more events will likely be held this year.

F) Communication

None

G) Public Comments

Ms. Cindy Rose introduced Ms. Denise Kulak, both Birmingham residents, Denise spoke and indicated that her husband, Gary, was an artist and was interested in placing artwork in Barnum Park. The Board discussed the process for submitting artwork for consideration. It was explained that the application would be reviewed by the Public Arts Board and the Barnum Park Committee who would then make recommendations to the City Commission for final approval. Denise indicated that her husband would be willing to make a custom sculpture for the park.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.