

Public Arts Board

Minutes – August 19, 2015

Meeting called to order at 6:42 p.m.

A) Roll Call –

Members Present: Barbara Heller, Maggie Mettler, Sally Parsons, Linda Wells

Members Absent: Phyllis Klinger, Diane Kowaleski, Kara Lividini and Sydney Rosen (Student Representative), Maya Salinas (Student Representative)

Administration: Matthew Baka

B) Approval of Minutes – June 17, 2015

Motioned by Sally Parsons, seconded by Linda Wells, to approve the June 17, 2015 minutes.

Yeas: 4 Nays: 0

C) Unfinished Business

Birmingham In Stitches – The 2015 Birmingham In Stitches event is scheduled for September 19th through 28th, with an extension until October 11th contingent upon on the condition of the yarn. Linda Wells reported about how the event planning is coming along. She has nine knitting groups signed up and a lot of volunteer enthusiasm. Locations for this year will be St. James Church, Historical Museum, Merrill St., Shain Park, Knitting Room, and Pierce Park. Sponsors include Walmart (\$25 gift card), Michael's (25% off), JoAnn Fabrics (10-15% off).

Leftover yarn will be stored at DPS.

Name tags will be provided for each installation

Press release will be sent to local newspapers (Downtown, Patch, O/E)

D) New Business

1) Richard Rollins – Application to display art on public property

The Board reviewed the application from Mr. Rollins.

Motioned to proceed by Maggie Mettler, seconded by Sally Parsons

Yeas:4 Nays:0

Applicant will now be required to provide additional information about the artist, installation requirements and arrangements.

E) Committee Reports

1) Birmingham CityScapes Charity Poker Party Fundraisers

No more dates this year. Changes to state law make it more competitive. Will try again in January

2) Baldwin Public Library Lectures

Barbara Heller talked about lectures at the Baldwin Public Library. She's hoping to have a post-Birmingham In Stitches event lecture where volunteers can talk about their experiences with the event.

F. Communication

Christopher Yockey

Mr. Yockey came to Birmingham and touched up his two sculptures with assistance from the Department of Public Services who provided a man lift and power supply.

Birmingham Bloomfield Cultural Council

Sally Parsons to ask if the artist contracts for the CityScape program are up to date. Ms. Heller passed out Cultural Arts Award applications and encouraged the board to submit nominations and spread the word about it.

G. Public Comments

N/A

H. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Sally Parsons, seconded by Linda Wells
The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.