**Kirkwood Arts Commission**

**Minutes**

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024 5:00PM**

**Kirkwood Community Center**

**Attendance: Rachel Brandt, Mark Braun, Mary Butkus, Glenda Hares, April Morris, Zoe Perkins, Erika Whittaker, Art McDonnell (KAF), Kyle Henke (City Liaison)**

1. **CITIZEN COMMENTS** *(3 minute time limit. The public comment portion of the meeting is an opportunity to listen to comments from citizens. It is not a question and answer session and the Commission will not respond to comments or answer questions during the comment period. The Chairperson may refer any matter to staff or hold discussion during the “Other Matters” section of the meeting).*
2. **APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 19, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

Zoe moved to begin meeting. Mark moved to pass December’s minutes, April seconded. Minutes were passed.

1. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
   1. **Kirkwood Arts Foundation:** Art reported that KAF has not voted on request for funds. More to rep**ort in Feb.**
   2. Making Music: Erika reported that the MMC is meeting directly after this meeting and will have more to report in Feb.
   3. **MACAA Report**: No report.
   4. **Gallery Program at KPAC:** April reported that the next two artists are Daven Anderson, watercolorist, and Lisa Hinrichs, fiber artist. Zoe reported next opening is Valentine’s Day.
   5. **Outdoor Public Art:** Zoe reported in terms of funding Liz Gibbons recommended we ask the city to support with funding. Zoe created a request that will be submitted to the city to reappropriate the $14K in this years’ budget for the sculpture. Mark Braun asked if anyone knows what’s happening with 4 Hands development and the sculpture pad that was suggested to be on the site. Art suggested that Zoe join him in a meeting with Drew Lesinski of Savoy Realty for an informational meeting about the site and what their plans are. That meeting will take place this month.
   6. **Communications Committee:** No report.
2. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. **Roll up for the Arts initiative update:** Liz reported that the donation agreement has been signed by the Arts Foundation. She is positive that Russ will approve. Every week averages about $12 at this time. She has created a spreadsheet and will report monthly and transfer quarterly to KAF. The money is reserved to be used for any pro grams at Kirkwood Performing Arts Center.

b. **Strategic Plan Approval:** No changes were suggested. April made a motion that the plan be approved as is. Mark Braun seconded. Strategic Plan was unanimously passed.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**a.** Other matters: Zoe asked Liz about having an artist painting live to music as a project to work on in collaboration with KPAC. Liz mentioned that she has arranged a walk through art experience in the first week of April where a live artist is painting to a live symphony. Attendees can walkthrough the theatre and see the art projected live around them.

1. **KPAC GM Report**
   1. **Upcoming Events:** Liz reported that Winter Opera is upcoming including Stages Academy, Jeremiah Johnson, Kendrick Smith, Steely Dan Tribute band Any Major Dudes.   
        
      For the month of January, Liz reported that six people to date mentioned that they have visited KPAC specifically to see The Gallery.
2. **ARTS COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT**
3. **COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**
4. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Meeting Date –March 19, 2024**

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**Chair:** Zoe Perkins

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