

Orange County Arts Commission

Board Meeting

November 9, 2009

Attendees: Lauri Alexander, Wendy Gellert, Geoffrey Hathaway, Charles Hochman, Shannon Jackson, Emily Lees, Robert Kintz, Leah Rade

Absent: Gordon Jameson, Alice Levinson, Mary Harley Kruter, Rachel Lillis, Bronwyn Merritt, Nedra Bradsher

Staff Present: Martha Shannon

Chairperson Robert Kintz called meeting to order at 6 pm and asked for a motion to approve the October 2009 minutes. Leah Rade motioned to approve the minutes; Geoffrey Hathaway seconded. It was noted that Audra Marotta resigned her position of OCAC membership and Secretary duties. No one present was interested in volunteering for this duty on a permanent basis so Wendy Gellert was asked to take notes for this meeting.

Director's Report Updates from Martha Shannon: Wayne Trapp sculpture for the new Library was voted on and approved by the BOCC. It next goes before the Historical District Commission on December 2 for their approval. It was suggested that an alternative location for the original Library sculpture by Michael Wexler and Leah Foushee be considered. (This item was tabled until next meeting.) It was noted that the Historical District Commission may request an on-site mock-up of Wayne Trapp's sculpture and he may not be interested to go forward with the project if this occurs. It was pointed out that the OCAC should be prepared to consider what action we might take in this situation and where the funding might come from if we were able to comply with this possible request.

There was some brief discussion of the pending movement of the EDC offices with the exception of the OCAC office and the concern that there are pending communication complications which may subsequently arise beginning in December, 2009.

It was requested that OCAC consider a rotating art display of local artists be provided in county buildings. However, with the exception of the new main library in Hillsborough, none of the new spaces have art hanging systems. If OCAC pursues this idea, it appears OCAC would need to fund the hanging system, or find funding somewhere. This topic was left open.

Mike Nelson checked on a possible scheduling of a work session for the 'Percent for Art' program request. He advised staff that this topic is not scheduled at this time.

Committee Reports: There were no formal updates for any committees. The Franklin Street Art Collective is still moving steadily forward.

It was requested that Martha Shannon contact Katherine Brooks, Sallie Sharding, Tiffany Johnson and Joan Meade to see if any of these candidates are still interested in serving on the OCAC in an effort to fill the vacancy on the committee.

Staff reminded board members that grant packets would be ready for pick-up by noon on Dec.1, 2009.

Meeting Adjourned: With no further old or new business Wendy Gellert motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 pm; Geoffrey Hathaway seconded.