



Bernalillo County Arts Board

**Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 14th, 2013
415 Tijeras NW 87102**

**10th Floor Conference Room B
City/County Government Center, Once Civic Plaza
Albuquerque, NM 87102**

Members Present:

Paul Waters, Chairperson, Dist. 4
Sarah Hartford, Vice Chair, Dist. 3
Irene Kersting, Dist. 2
Sondra Diepen, Dist. 4
Myrna Smyer, Dist. 5
William Burk III, Dist. 5

Members Excused:

Margie Weinstein, Dist. 3
Louis Schalk, Dist. 1
Shawn Turung, Dist 1.

Staff Present:

Nan Masland, Public Art Manager, Bernalillo County

Guests Present:

Leo Korte

I. Call to order 1:40 p.m.

II. Approval of the agenda:

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: M. Smyer

SECONDER: I. Kersting

AYES: S. Hartford, S. Diepen, B. Burk

III. Approval of the minutes:

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: S. Diepen

SECONDER: M. Smyer
AYES: S. Hartford, I. Kersting, B. Burk

IV. Action Items and New Business:

1. **Two Dimensional Purchase:** It was brought to the attention of the Arts Board that the Tom Ross piece “*Flip*” was recently sold, after the board had agreed to purchase it. An alternate piece titled “*Frontier*” was submitted as a substitution fitting the exact measurements, medium, appearance and cost of “*Flip*”.

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to approve the substitution.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: M. Smyer

SECONDER: B. Burk

AYES: S. Hartford, S. Diepen, I. Kersting

2. Unsolicited Proposals:

Leo Korte addressed the Arts Board in regards to a mural he had purchased from the now demolished “Casas Grande Lodge”. The mural was commissioned circa 1930 by J.T. Horne created by M.E. Norton and is a oil on canvas painting of the artist’s travels from California to New Mexico. It is 28’x5’, has been cleaned, has a slight tear in the bottom left area and would need to be hung properly, as it is rolled and loose at the moment. Mr. Korte is looking towards the Arts Board to purchase it from him for the price of \$30,000, as it has cultural and historical significance to the area. The major concerns were, where to put it, price of piece itself, and framing/hanging and finally lack of history on the artist and patron. Bill Burk volunteered to research the artist and the paintings history. The Arts Board requested a visit to the mural to see it in person. The Arts Board will not vote on this proposal until the next meeting.

3. Establish Chairpersons for Subcommittees:

Nan Masland provided a list of current committees and the members assigned to them. At this time those Arts Board members present volunteered to join or head a committee. It was decided that the *Bosque* committee was to remain inactive for the time being. S. Diepen commented that the *Outposts* has a finalized subcommittee and should therefore move forward, S. Hartford volunteered to be the committee chair. P. Waters volunteered to be the committee chair for the *Bernalillo County Safety Officers Memorial*. M. Smyer volunteered to be the committee chair for the *Highland Theater* committee. B. Burk volunteered to be the committee chair for the *James McGrane* committee. P. Waters joined the *Fisher Smith* committee, however a chair has yet to be decided. The *Sandia* committee is still pending a chair. M. Weinstein was chosen as the *NM Expo* chair, B. Burk joined the committee as well.

4. Americans for the Arts Conference 2013 Highlights:

Nan Masland attended the Americans for the Arts Conference and while there noted a unique site for local artist. Pittsburgh along with other cities have created a free website for local artist to register their work on and create their own mini page. This would allow artist to centralize their work and exposure and increase economic and professional development. It would be a beneficial idea for the Bernalillo artist.

Bill Burk spoke on the workshops he attended, mostly geared towards Arts Boards and proactive ways of engaging the community.

V. Project Updates

1. Dedications Complete – Focus on Youth 2012 and Collection Committee 2012

- i. Present video made by Paul Evans on the Focus on Youth Dedication. The Arts Board acknowledges the skill and understanding p
 2. Hiland Theater NDI Public Art ABQ Ride – Call posting in September, closing in December
 3. Sandia Artwork – Posting call for Artists
 4. Public Safety Facility Plaza - BCSO Fallen Officers Subcommittee Memorial Planning meeting 8/16
 5. Westside Pumping Station Mural - Joe Stephenson partnering with Working Classroom– Presenting September 11th Arts Board Meeting
 6. Richard Rocco bust and dedication – rescheduled for Veterans Day in November
 7. NM Expo Mural Project – MOU drafted
 8. James McGrane Jr. Memorial Update – N. Masland meeting with Senior Planner with Parks and Recreation John Barney to plan public art portion of project – may use LithoMosaic in the plaza area for a community based art piece. Estimated budget \$50,000 for 500 sf of mosaic.
 9. Fisher Smith Gymnasium – the Arts Board wishes to meet at the Fisher Smith Gymnasium but recognizes the scheduling difficulty – the afterschool program uses the entire facility on Wednesdays from noon to 5 pm as it's APS's short school day.
- S. Hartford inquires about the Outposts Project. It was an accidental omission from the Project Updates.

VI. Announcement of Next Meeting: Wednesday September 11, 1:30, One Civic Plaza, 10th Floor Conference Room B

VII. Adjournment: Chair P. Waters entertained a motion to adjourn the Arts Board meeting.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]