



Bernalillo County Arts Board

**Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 11th, 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
Louis Schalk, Dist. 1
Irene Kersting, Dist. 2
Jane Ward, Dist. 2
Margie Weinstein, Dist. 3
Sondra Diepen, Dist. 4
Myrna Smyer, Dist. 5
William Burk III, Dist. 5

Members Excused:

Shawn Turung, Dist 1.
Sarah Hartford, Vice Chair, Dist. 3

Staff Present:

Nan Masland, Public Art Manager, Bernalillo County
Paul Evans, Cable TV Director, Bernalillo County

Guests Present:

Monica Kaden, Artist
Sherry Brueggemann, CABQ Public Arts

I. Call to order

II. Approval of the agenda:

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: M. Smyer

SECONDER: S. Diepen

III. Approval of the minutes:

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

IV. Action Items and New Business:

1. **Dist. 5 James McGrane** Parks Planning Manager John Barney addresses the Arts Board about the memorial park adjacent to the James McGrane Safety Facility in the East Mountains. The project is moving forward and public art will be a critical part of the project. The park will be designed by December and installed by March 2014. N. Masland introduces the concept of working with the Harwood Art Center who is establishing a mentorship program for young artists/apprentices. The young artists/apprentices will be led by Cassandra Reid – an experienced tile artist – in a tile process called LithoMosaic. LithoMosaic uses premade tiles glued to mesh and later installed directly into wet concrete on site. The Harwood and Cassandra Reid would work with the community and the families of the fallen officers to make a meaningful artwork to remember the fallen heroes. M. Smyer expresses her support of the LithoMosaic process. She visited “Rain to River” a community based public art project led by N Masland and was impressed with the quality of the work and believes the process would work well at the McGrane site. Although the Arts Board was scheduled to vote on the project at the following meeting (October 9, 2013), they chose to vote to proceed with the project.

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to proceed with Cassandra Reid and Harwood entity for James McGrane \$50K direct selection.

MOTION: Proceed with Cassandra Reid and Harwood entity for James McGrane \$50K direct selection

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: W. Burk

SECONDER: M. Smyer

2. **BCSO Fallen Officer Memorial:**

I Kersting and J Ward have researched various options for the materials for the Fallen Officer Memorial to be located at 5th and Roma. J Ward approached Pace Steel and shared photographs of examples of steel monuments that could work for the project.

3. **Two Dimensional Purchase Approved**

Artists Neal Ambrose Smith accidentally sent the wrong image of his artwork “Can you See the Flaws in Your Swing?” An almost identical piece is available. The Arts Board views the slightly different painting and agree that they like it better than the first.

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to accept the substitution of the artwork by Neal Ambrose Smith

MOTION: Accept the almost identical artwork by Neal Ambrose Smith

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: L. Schalk

SECONDER: B. Burk

4. **Mural Purchase Proposed by Leo Korte**

Several Arts Board members viewed the mural at Mr. Korte’s residence. The board is interested in purchasing the mural and wants to learn why Mr. Korte is charging \$30,000 and whether that includes restoration of the mural. The Arts Board chooses to proceed with approaching the purchase of the mural.

5. **Monika Kaden**

- i. Artist Monika Kaden wishes to donate the companion piece to “Our Dance is Your Dance II” which was purchased by the county in 2012. “Our Dance is Your Dance” is the first half of the diptych.

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to accept donation of, “Our Dance is Your Dance” by Monika Kaden

MOTION: Accept donation of “Our Dance is Your Dance” by Monika Kaden

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: M. Smyer

SECONDER: S.Diepen

ii. Unsolicited Proposal for the purchase of bronze sculptures “Dancer” and “Bow” Ms. Kaden shows her recent bronze sculptures from Shidoni Foundry in Tesuque, NM. “Dancer” is priced at \$84,000 and “Bow” is priced at \$21,000

6. Sherri Brueggemann on behalf of Therese Evangel

Sheri Brueggemann presents a potential donation of ten watercolors of Albuquerque buildings by Therese Evangel.

Chairperson Waters entertained a motion to accept donation of ten watercolors by Therese Evangel

MOTION: Accept donation of ten watercolors by Therese Evangel

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: S.Diepen

SECONDER: M.Smyer

V. Project Updates

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

VI. **Announcement of Next Meeting:** Wednesday October 9, 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]