



**Bernalillo County Arts Board
January 20, 2016 2:30 p.m.
111 Union Sq SE, 3rd Fl Environmental Health Conference Room
Albuquerque, NM 87102**

Members Present:

Sarah Hartford, Chairperson, Dist. 3

Margie Weinstein, Dist. 3

Shawn Turung, Vice Chairperson, Dist. 1

Carrie Terrell, Dist. 4

John Grassham, Dist. 4

William Burk III, Dist. 5

Myrna Smyer, Dist. 5

Shelle Van Etten de Sanchez, Dist 2

Members Excused:

Louis Schalk, Dist.1

Guests:

Enrico Gradi, Community Development Manager Bernalillo County Zoning and Building

Cassandra Reid, Artist, Lotus Tile Works

Staff Present:

Nan Masland, Public Art Project Coordinator

I. **Call to order** Chairperson Hartford calls the meeting to order.

II. **Approval of the agenda:**

Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to approve the agenda.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: J. Grassham

SECONDER: M. Smyer

III. **Approval of the minutes:**

Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to approve the minutes from December, 2015

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: M. Smyer

SECONDER: S. Sanchez

IV. New Business

1. Enrico Gradi, Community Development Manager, 3 Dimensional Purchase for Union Square

Mr. Gradi thanks the arts board for outfitting the county with art and commends them for their dedication to the arts. He requests that the board consider adding a piece of sculpture for the front entry of Union Square building. The building hosts over 1,500 visitors a month and this is an opportunity to bring artwork to people who otherwise might not seek it out. Guests are trades people, parks people, architects and contractors. M. Smyer states that it is nice to know that the art is appreciated. Mr. Gradi also requests artwork for the third floor conference room where the board is meeting. S. Turung says that it is great to have an ally and wonders about the various options for artwork including commissioning a mural.

Although this is the introduction into including Union Square in the selection for the 3-D purchase, the Arts Board wishes to make a motion.

Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to include Union Square as a location for the 3-D Purchase

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: B. Burk

SECONDER: M. Smyer

V. Action Items

1. 1. Elect Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Hartford is ready to step down as chair and elect a new chair and vice chair. S. Hartford will moderate the rest of the meeting. N. Masland asks for nominations for Chair, S. Sanchez nominates S. Turung.

Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to elect S. Turung as Chair of the Arts Board

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: S. Sanchez

SECONDER: J. Grassham

N. Masland asks for nominations for Vice Chair, S. Sanchez nominates B. Burk

Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to elect B. Burk as Vice Chair of the Arts Board

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: S. Sanchez

SECONDER: M. Smyer

2. Notice of Meeting

The Arts Board will meet on the third Wednesday of the month

Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to set the arts board meeting for the third Wednesday of the month at 2:30 in the Environmental Health Conference room on the 3rd floor of 111 Union Sq SE

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: J. Grassham

SECONDER: M. Smyer

3. Unsolicited Proposals:

I. Laura Martin, "Quilt Squares"

The board reviews the submission and finds the story completing but does not see the project as one to be purchased as part of the permanent collection. Perhaps there is another department that would be better suited for the project such as a school or open space program. Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to decline Laura Martin's "Quilt Squares" Proposal and refer Laura to additional options for her project

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: S. Turung

SECONDER: S. Sanchez

II. Sondra Diepen, "Bordello Abandoned"

The board reviews the submission and asks if the piece is already in the collection. N. Masland informs the board that the piece is already in the collection. Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to decline Sondra Diepen's "Bordello Abandoned" but request that Sondra Diepen propose artwork that is not presently in the collection.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: C. Terrell

SECONDER: S. Turung

III. Tarynn Weeks, "La Corriente del Valle Study" Working Classroom, proposed by N. Masland

N. Masland proposes the purchase "La Corriente del Valle Study" print which was made in a Working Classroom workshop in preparation for the "La Corriente del Valle Mural" she shares that there aren't many prints by youth in the collection and this would nicely augment the mural. Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion to recommend Tarynn Weeks "La Corriente del Valle Study" for purchase.

RESULT: Motion Carried [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: B. Burk

SECONDER: M. Weinstein

4. **NEA OurTown Grant South Valley Call for Artists Subcommittee**

Two volunteers are needed to participate in the subcommittee to draft the call for artists for the NEA OurTown Grant South Valley. S. Sanchez and S. Turung volunteer.

VI. **Project Updates**

1. Cassandra Reid, artist. Fallen Sheriff's Deputies Memorial part 1: McGrane East Area Command Center Mosaic. The Arts Board welcomes Cassandra Reid. Ms. Reid addresses the board about her process in designing the art piece and how much has changed in landscape of law enforcement since she began this project. She has worked closely with the McGrane family to learn about their safety trainings and de-escalation techniques. She would like to incorporate the concepts into her design such as: breathe, listen, wait, and tell. She plans to add more color to the background, using the colors of dawn – a gradient from pale pink to pale blue. Ms. Reid shares her sketch. M. Smyer says that this is a beautiful addition of color. C. Terrell states that it is a nice design and she is struck by the thoughtfulness and consideration that Ms. Reid has put into the design. S. Turung says that she likes how the project has evolved from where it started six years ago. J. Grassham suggests watching the APD training video about de-escalation at the police academy.
2. **Animal Care** – First meeting will convene in January
3. **3D Direct Purchase** – Arts Board will make recommendations for March, set criteria in January

4. **Coneflowers, Christopher Weed** – N. Masland presented the agenda item and it was approved by the BCC on December 8.
5. **Outposts Update:** The subcommittee wishes to repost the call for artists via CAFÉ.org and require a conceptual sketch, the call will be reposted once the purchase of the calls for art is approved.
6. **Vista Grande:** selection to begin in 2016
7. **Fallen Sheriff's Deputies Memorial** – Cassandra Reid will attend the next Arts Board meeting.
8. **Hiland Theater NDI Public Art ABQ Ride** – Sculpture and bus shelter are in fabrication but installation is delayed until after the frigid winter temperatures.

VII. **Discussion**

1. **Tactical Art Platform Project**

The artists wish to discuss the project in person.

VIII. **Announcement and Events**

1. "Transcending Photography: Betty Hahn and Patrick Nagatani" Public Art Collection exhibit hosted by Commissioner Maggie Hart Stebbins and the Bernalillo County Arts Board. February-April
2. "The Likeness of Us" Women and Creativity Art Exhibit at African American Performing Art Center Gallery March 9-31 Opening Reception March 11

IX. **Announcement of Next Meeting**

February 17, 2:30 pm 2016 at 111 Union Sq 3rd floor conference room. Albuquerque, NM 87102

Adjournment: Chairperson Hartford entertains a motion by M. Weinstein to adjourn the Arts Board meeting.