

April 16, 2025 SALT LAKE CITY ARTS COUNCIL BOARD MEETING

(Anchor location: 54 Finch Lane Gallery) 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87351967257?pwd=TmsK24oOYIBAQQNGHzqPNDhpWAdChX.1>

Board Members in Attendance:

Susan Rickman

Jeff Driggs

Hannah Nielsen

Lana Taylor

Travis English

Matt Coles

Ryan Canter

Eugenie Jaffe

Caitlin Tursic

Online:

Iggy Rosenberg

Excused:

C-Moc Sandoval

Sabrina Martinez

Kathy Davis

Gabby Huggins

Council/City Staff/Public:

Felicia Baca, Arts Council Executive Director

Laurel Cannon Alder, Arts Council Deputy Director

Lindsey Day, Art Council Office Facilitator

Sylvia Richards, City Council Liaison

Annie DiMartino, Utah Cultural Alliance Executive Director

AGENDA

I. Call to Order and Welcome Guests & Introductions

Ms. Rickman calls the meeting to order and introduces new and current board members. New members include: Ryan Canter, Eugenie Jaffe, Ignacios (Iggy) Rosenberg. The meeting attendees took part in a brief get-to-know you activity.

II. Mission Moment (Future events & SLC worthy recognition)

The board discussed the latest arts & culture events they have attended around the city and look forward to attending in the future. The Arts Council staff also reminded the board about the spreadsheet created to track upcoming arts council events and what other board members would be attending.

III. Approve Board Meeting Minutes – March 2025 (Action)

Ms. Koles-Rickman moved to approve the minutes of the March meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

IV. Management

Program/Administrative Updates -Felicia Baca

i. General Program Management Updates

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- a. Ms. Baca reports that the Arts Council is busy with budget planning, both for a FY25 budget amendment and planning for FY26. Living Traditions is around the corner – unfortunately it conflicts with Kilby Block party so we may see an impact to attendance, but planning is going well and looking forward to the festival. Twilight concert series sales are going well and partners feel good about status. Wake the Great Salt Lake project hosted an event at Fisher Brewery for the “Hope Line” a phone booth where you can leave stories about the Great Salt Lake. Westside/ Glendale public art project artist Matthew Mazzotta will be hosting “living room” sessions for community feedback in the coming weeks. The Blocks released a program called “Co-Create” that activates various artistic disciplines downtown; Brittany Helmers doing an excellent job managing the Blocks program.

IV. Budget/Financials

- a. Review of Financials: Caitlin Tursic
 - i. Ms. Tursic provided a review of the financials – we received a few donations for the Wake the Great Salt Lake project. The contract for Busker Fest was paid to Primrose Productions and we saw an increase in Salaries & Wages due to hiring of seasonal Living Traditions staff. Overall financials are in good standing.
- b. Budget Amendment Overview (in preparation for budget amendments next month).
 - i. Ms. Baca provided an overview of budget amendment changes that will be voted on in next month’s meeting.

V. Board

- a. Utah Cultural Alliance Introduction & Advocacy 101-Annie DiMartino: Director
 - i. Ms. DiMartino gave a presentation on the Utah Cultural Alliance, their mission and vision, where they have come from and where they are going and the importance of advocacy. An overview of the federal landscape impacting arts & cultural organizations around the country including the Institute of Museums and Libraries and the National Endowment for the Humanities was also provided.
- b. Discuss Committee Vacancies/Nominations
 - i. Looking for nominations for Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Grants Committee. Also open for new members who represent districts 1 & 2.

VI. Public Comment

- a. No public comment

VIII. Other Business

No other business is discussed

Ms. Taylor moved to close the meeting, Mr. Driggs seconds, all in favor. The motion passes unanimously. The meeting is adjourned.

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