



August 4, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

6-7pm

South Salt Lake Community Center, Art Room

2531 S 400 E, South Salt Lake, UT 84115

1. **Attendance and Introductions** - Cherie Wood (5 min)
 - a. Members present: Cherie Wood, Erik Ostling, Charlotte Bacon, Sharla Bynum (online)
 - b. Members Absent: Maranda Hawkes, Brad Slaugh, Leslie Jones
 - c. Others Present: Britney Helmers and Jody Engar (SSLA team)
2. **Review Public Comment** - Cherie Wood (2 min) No public comments
3. **SSL Arts New Business** - Britney Helmers (45 minutes)
 - a. New Business
 - i. **ACTION ITEM:** Attachment # 1: November 13, 2025 meeting minutes - To be Approved
 1. Action Approved: Motioned by Erik Ostling Seconded by Charlotte Bacon, All approved, zero opposed
 - ii. **DISCUSSION:** Financial Report from Fiscal Year 26 - Erik asked for clarification regarding the variance on employee salaries. Britney explained that salaries were budgeted for the full 12 months. Britney was brought on at the 7 month mark. It was also mentioned that for transparency, Public Art and Mural Fest are rolled into one category, Mural Fest. The other major variance was in Art Classes, which we have historically been unable to spend. We have a new program coming online that makes the new budget feasible and the reduced budget provides funding for other programs. Like Pop Up in the Parks to meet the needs of the community that have been expressed to us through surveys.
 - iii. **DISCUSSION:** Community Surveys and New Programming
 1. Attachment #2: January 2026 Community Survey
 2. Attachment #3: June 2026 Community Survey

3. New Programs and opportunities: As mentioned in the previous discussion, we have used the two surveys to guide the programming for the coming year, opening up where we have programming, what types of programming, and when programming occurs.

iv. **TENTATIVE ACTION ITEM:** Budget for Fiscal Year 27 (10-15 minutes)

1. Attachment #4: Fiscal Year 27 Budget:

- a. Action moved forward. Action Approved: Motioned by Erik Ostiling Seconded by Charlotte Bacon, All approved, zero opposed

4. Report from SSL Arts - Britney Helmers (10 minutes)

- a. What is new this year for the Arts?
 - i. Craftober Fest PZL Mural - Mason Festzer to create an 11x6 Puzzle mural for Craftober Fest. He will collaborate with Promise youth to complete 60% of the tiles prior to Craftober Fest. The remaining 40% will be completed by the public at the festival. The finished piece will be incorporated into our public art collection and be displayed at the SSL Community Center Co-Op. Mark Miller Subaru will be sponsoring the project in full.
 - ii. Plein Air Artists - Call for Plein Air closes on August 17, 2026: New for Craftoberfest this year, we will have 8 plein air artists painting the scene as it unfolds. They will be paid a \$150 stipend. Following the event, a silent auction will be held at Level Crossing Brewing Co. 100% of the proceeds will go to the artists.
 - iii. Around the World Holiday Market (formerly Season of Culture): This event will be held in the Redwood building this year to accommodate the size of the event. The name change better reflects what the event is and separates it from other initiatives in the city.
 - iv. Creative Futures: SSL Arts supported Promise SSL Youth to participate in a program in partnership with Craft Lake City that teaches them how to create their creative enterprise. Through a series of workshops, they learn how to build a brand, do market research, design a booth, and more. They will be taking their product to the Craft Lake City DIY Festival Aug 8. They will also be at Craftober Fest on October 3.

5. Upcoming Calendar Items

- a. Promise SSL + SSL Arts + Craft Lake City presents the Creative Futures at Craft Lake City - August 8, 2026

- b. VIP Networking Event at Material Art Gallery - August 27, 2026
- c. SSL Arts + Promise SSL Photovoice Exhibit August 28, 2026
- d. Mural at the Co-Op will be painted August 17-August 28 by Trevor Dahl
- e. [SB Dance and Curbside Theater at Tracy Aviary at Pia Okwai - September 25, 7pm](#)
- f. Craftober Fest - October 3, 2026
- g. Craftober Fest Silent Auction at Level Crossing Brewery - October 15, 2026
- h. Around the World Holiday Market November 19, 2026

[Meeting Adjourned: Mayor motioned to adjourn the meeting. Erik seconded the motion.](#)