

Murray Arts Advisory Board
Minutes for May 11, 2021

Attendance: Matt Jacobson, Peter Klinge, Nancy Buist, Christy Anderson, Lily Ellingson,
Halley Oliphant; Cami Munk, Clark Bullen
Staff: Katie Lindquist, Lori Edmunds

- I. The minutes for April 13, 2021 were passed as written with.
- II. Board Reports: Peter reported that the date for the 48th and State Street development has been postponed until sometime in June.
- III. Staff reports –
 - a. Resident on Display April/May
 - i. City Hall- Lucy Batey will be installed end of May for June – July resident on display. She has 3-D pieces and pottery.
 - ii. Storytelling Showcase- Katie told the board that the annual Storytelling Showcase was held at Hillcrest Junior High on April 24. 396 students attended residencies; 29 students told at the showcase with an audience of 124 people. The showcase was filmed for Facebook and YouTube.
 - iii. Fun Days –Katie reported the parade has 29 entries and the chalk art contest has 27 entries. She reported all the daytime: Superheroes vs Villains characters, Puppet Show, Arts in the Park Musical Review and The Flashback Brothers concert. Lori asked if Matt would help judge the chalk art and if any of the other board members would help. Peter and Haley volunteered.
 - iv. Summer Series – Lori reported that the schedule is full and ready to go. See attachment.
 - v. Secondary Art Show
83 students participate with a total of 118 entries. It was difficult finding volunteers until Lori emailed past Resident on Display artists. They were happy to support the youth. Lori thanked Matt and Christy for helping set up and for those you volunteered.
- IV. Business
 - a. 2021-2022- and 5-Year Goals – Peter felt like we had set our goals and Lori reported that she had sent them to the Parks Director and asked that they be sent to the Mayor's office.
 - b. Murray Theater – Peter wanted to know what if anything was going on with the Murray Theater. Lori told the board that there was money in a CIP fund for the theater and that she would be meeting with the fundraising group Pathways in a few weeks to get things going again. Lori asked Cami what her thoughts were concerning the Salt Lake County Facilities grant. Lori wondered if Murray City would be considered again and Cami felt that the county would look at that grant again. Once proposals are in, you do not have to reapply. Cami also invited Lori and Katie to attend the Mid-Valley Art Center's ribbon cutting in Taylorsville on May 26.

- i. Peter asked Clark about his thoughts on the Theater. Clark missed the previous meeting and he understands that some on the board thought there was too much focus on the theatre. However, the Theater is more of a timely matter and is more imminent. Peter clarified that the emphasis was on the MCCD, not specifically the Theater. Clark feels in general that the Theater and the arts involvement in the new city district is its own focus and could monopolize the monthly meeting. There was mention of a subcommittee at one time, that could meet on this subject and report back to the board. Clark understands we can't exclusively focus on the theater as a board. Lori asked her supervisor, Kim, to ask the Mayor's office about a subcommittee for the board. Waiting to hear back. Lori told Clark he can stop by and talk through things with the Theater. The idea of a subcommittee was not met with a lot of positivity. Peter feels it would be more helpful if the city was more proactive in community input. Individually as residents, board members can advocate to city officials.

In terms of fundraising, Peter feels that we have more insight and time to really come up with a plan in reaching out to the community. More so than when we first started before Covid shut the plans down.

- c. Meet in Person. Lori asked if the board wanted to continue meeting via zoom or to return meeting in person. Lori will ask Mayor's office if they are okay with meeting in person with no masks. Some like the flexibility of zoom and others feel it is easier to communicate and discuss in person. Clark asked if we need to keep the meetings available to public, Lori replied yes. Zoom link is not given to the public, they can watch on Facebook through a live link. Peter asked if anyone watches via Facebook Live during the meetings. Katie keeps a list of those who watch, but rarely any one person stays the entire meeting. Peter thinks we should keep filming on Facebook for the public and possibly keep meeting on zoom. In the bylaws, there is no meeting in December, however they can vote to not meet in July. Peter motions to have in person meetings and Jeff seconded motion. No objections. Lori will follow up with Mayor's office.

The meeting was adjourned until June 8, 2021 at 6:30pm via Zoom.