

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
Arts Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 1, 2021
5:00pm

MANSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER
Draft Minutes

1. Called To Order at 5:05 pm

Kim Bova	X	kbova@charter.net;
David Vaughan	X	dhvaughan@charter.net;
Judy McChesney	X	judy.mcchesney@gmail.com;
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Sarah Kaufold	X	kaufolds@gmail.com;
Anisah Richardson, MCC Staff	X	RichardsonA@mansfieldCT.org

2. Minutes of meeting on 5/4/21 approved and seconded.

3. No Public Comments

4. No Public Correspondence

5. Approval of Virtual Art Show Submission

Anisah introduced the on-line show for committee approval, and it was approved with the suggestion that future shows provide less space to specifics of the slide and maximum space to the art itself. Michael Zito's sculptures were approved to be included in this show, and the show will be on display publically this evening, June 1st. Out of courtesy to Anisah, or whoever assembles the on-line shows, all materials in the future should be submitted within the deadline given in the guidelines. Thanks to two of our committee members, Sarah Kaufold for again providing a graceful introduction to our virtual art show, and to Ann Williams for submitting a variety of lovely artwork. Kudos, too, to Anisah Richardson for again designing the Power Point that presents these art works. Artwork submitted by Ann Williams was approved for hanging and will be displayed in the community center beginning in September, as requested by the artist.

6. Plein Air Trail Update

Sarah reported that musicians as well as artists are still being recruited for the June 26 event. The Plein Air Trail website is www.pleinairmansfield.org and Sarah will send it to area towns' artists over the next week. Please share this web site with friends and family. Instrumentalists and artists will be in pre-determined spots with an eye to parking accommodation.

7. MLK Mural Project Update

Committee members who attended the introductory meeting (Kim Bova, Ann Williams and Judy McChesney) on May 11th gave an overview. Topics discussed included background info on the project, a timeline (unveiling to be the weekend of Indigenous Peoples' Celebration or Celebrate Mansfield), key mural phases (Site/artist selection, mural design/painting/installation, and accommodation of community design input). Key associated activities include a launch event, youth and community engagement, and an unveiling event, most of which will require committee work. A second meeting has not yet been announced.

8. Arts in Bloom –potential event

Ann and Susan visited with Kelly at Stix and Stones to discuss designing and completing a floral arrangement from which artists could interpret in a painting, and the public could view. Please see notes on this meeting that Susan sent to members following our AAC meeting. Our committee is all

in favor of this project, and discussion continued re: time and place for its implementation. Sept./Oct. seem to be the best dates, and Anisah and Susan will present potential dates at our next meeting in September. Potential sites include the community center, Stix and Stones, and Lenard Hall. If we choose a weekend date, Anisah recommended the community center site, as there is the difficulty of scheduling staff to cover Lenard Hall.

We will revisit this topic in September to determine a date(s), site, scheduling of flower arranging demo, viewing and painting of the arrangement, publicity, etc.

Kelly is willing to offer a flower arranging course as a follow-up to this presentation that could be scheduled through adult ed.

Next regular meeting to be held **Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 5:00pm**

Respectfully submitted,
Judy McChesney