



# FLORIDA ARTS COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2006  
Melbourne



### In Attendance:

Florida Arts Council	Department Staff
Sibille Pritchard, Chairman	JuDee Pettijohn, Deputy Secretary
David Bear, Secretary	Sandy Shaughnessy, Director
Alejandro Aguirre	Dianne Alborn
Margo Bindhardt	Rachelle Ashmore
Jacqueline Bradley	Don Blancett
Timothy Deratany	Gaylen Phillips
Katharine Dickenson	Laura Stone
Stephen Hogge	
Gary Libby	
Norma Roth	
James Shaw	
Margaret Wise	

### **I. Call to Order**

Chairman Sibille Pritchard called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Melbourne.

### **II. Introduction of Council, Staff and Guests**

Mrs. Pritchard asked the Florida Arts Council, department staff, and audience members to introduce themselves.

### **III. Adoption of Agenda**

Gary Libby moved approval of the agenda with Jacqueline Bradley seconding. The motion carried.

### **IV. Chairman's Comments**

Chairman Pritchard thanked Tim Deratany, Susan and Wayne Thompson, Brevard Museum of Art and Science, Cocoa Village Playhouse, and all of the Brevard County cultural organizations for their wonderful hospitality during the meeting in Melbourne.

Mrs. Pritchard shared the highlights of her participation in the "100 Ideas of Florida" workshop.

### **V. Department of State Update**

Sandy Shaughnessy began her comments by thanking the Governmental Affairs, Awards and Nominating Committees for their hard work. She introduced Laura Stone, the Division's new arts administrator, and announced that Danielle Wright had joined the Division staff as a Gubernatorial Fellow.

The Cultural Facilities Program applications will be arriving soon. Be on the lookout for several boxes to arrive within the next few weeks.

Legislative strategies for the upcoming session include moving the budget of the Museum of Florida History under the Division of Cultural Affairs and eliminating the Division's dual budget entities.

The Museum of Florida History notified the American Association of Museums (AAM) that oversight of the Old Capitol and Mission San Luis would be transferred to other entities. The AAM assured the Museum that the transfers would not affect their accreditation status. The Museum is quickly outgrowing their exhibit space; an effort will be undertaken to locate a larger space for the Museum.

Convening Sessions will be held in January 2007 to address specific implementation strategies for the *Culture Builds Florida's Future* strategic plan. The Department of State also participated in Enterprise Florida's recent public meetings on *Roadmap to Florida's Future*, the strategic plan for economic development policy-making throughout the state.

Ms. Shaughnessy distributed copies of *The Arts and State Government*, a publication developed by Wallace Foundation and RAND Corporation – Research in the Arts.

#### **VI. Approval of Minutes from June 2006 Meeting**

Gary Libby moved approval of the June 2006 meeting minutes, with Margaret Wise seconding. The motion was approved.

#### **VII. Guest Speakers on Agenda by Special Request:**

Paul Stavros, board member of the newly-created Citizens for the Arts, Inc., was introduced and made brief comments regarding his vision for the CSO.

Sherron Long, Florida Cultural Alliance, gave a presentation on study results conducted by the Alliance, as well as advocacy plans for the upcoming legislative session.

#### **VIII. Business Items**

**A. Review of Florida Arts Council Meeting Calendar** - Sibille Pritchard reviewed the upcoming Florida Arts Council meeting dates.

**B. 2005-2006 Grants Program Budget Update** – Don Blancett updated the Council on the status of the 2006-07 current-year grants budget.

**C. Florida Cultural Endowment Program** – Don Blancett reported that the Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra had applied for and met the requirements to receive Cultural Sponsoring Organization (CSO) designation.

Stephen Hogge moved approval of the designation. Gary Libby seconded the motion, which was approved, with one vote abstention by Margo Bindhardt due to a conflict.

**D. Art in State Buildings Program Recommendations** – Gaylen Phillips reported that since the last Council meeting, six selections of artwork have been made for sites at the University of South Florida's College of Nursing; Florida International University's Marine Biology Building; and the Tampa Children's Medical Services center in Hillsborough County.

Division staff has collected, reviewed and accepted all required procedural forms documenting that established procedures were followed for these selections.

Katharine Dickenson moved approval of the selection process. David Bear seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**E. Challenge Grant Program Panelist and Chairman Recommendations –**

Gaylen Phillips reviewed the list of panelist selections and the chairman assignment for the 2007-08 Challenge Grant Program panel. Jim Shaw moved approval of the recommendations with Jacqueline Bradley seconding. The motion passed.

**IX. Grant Panel Reports**

**A. Quarterly Panel Report (QA and AEG Programs) –** Margo Bindhardt reviewed the report as follows:

The Second Quarter Quarterly Assistance/Artist Enhancement Review Committee took place on August 18, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. with committee members Morgan Lewis, Sarah Stage, and Gaylen Phillips.

The entire meeting was held via teleconference. The Division has long recognized the sometimes extraordinary efforts made by organization representatives to be in attendance at quarterly meetings; the typical applicant to the QA categories is a small (and perhaps very new) organization with limited resources. Although telephone participation has always been available to applicants, this new model allows applicants to listen in to the entire meeting, offer public comment, and hear the final recommendations all at no cost to them.

Funding was considered for ten (10) Quarterly Assistance applicant organizations with a total request of \$34,767. Projects represented a wide range of topics that included a community chamber music concert, a juried award visual arts exhibition, a film festival, and a music education symposium. The committee engaged in extensive questions and discussion on each application. Limited funding availability presented a difficult challenge; the committee recommended eight (8) applications for funding in the amount of \$28,667.

The panel then reviewed 84 eligible Artist Enhancement applications and recommended that 32 applicants receive Artist Enhancement Grants for a total of \$31,000.

**Panel comment was as follows:**

Panelists had a few general comments about the applications as a whole. All three panelists agreed that when an artist is applying for an equipment purchase that it is imperative that they submit information and specs on that actual piece of equipment, justifying the price and the features.

Members of the panel encouraged each artist to send enough copies of their resume and support materials for each member of the panel to get a copy before the panel meeting.

**Public comment was as follows:**

Once again, applicants were enthusiastic about the opportunity to fully participate in the teleconference.

One Artists Enhancement applicant took the time to email comments: “. . . I would like to take just a moment to thank all of you for a very exciting experience. Even without knowing the content of the other applications it was really very informative to listen to the panel’s comments as well as the artists’ responses.”

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

At the conclusion of her report, Mrs. Bindhardt moved approval of the funding recommendations for the Artist Enhancement Program with Katharine Dickenson seconding. The motion carried.

Mrs. Bindhardt then moved approval of the funding recommendations for the Quarterly Assistance Program with Alejandro Aguirre seconding. The motion carried.

Funding recommendations for both programs were as follows:

**Artist Enhancement Program Awards**

<b>AEP App # Applicant Name Applicant County</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	<b>Eligible Request</b>
07-2001 Picano, Holly Orange	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2002 Forbes, Omega A. Leon	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
07-2003 Espano Sanchez, Katherine Duval	\$500	25	8.3	\$500
07-2004 Eichenberger, Dave Pasco	\$750	25	8.3	\$750
07-2005 Weeks, Timothy A. Bay	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
07-2006 White, Cornelius Hillsborough	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2007 Board, Aaron C. Sarasota	\$1,000	8	2.7	\$0
07-2008 Simmons-Jimenez, Alette Miami-Dade	\$1,000	27	9.0	\$1,000
07-2009 Broderick, Amy S. Palm Beach	\$1,000	27	9.0	\$1,000
07-2010 Harter, Denise D Leon	\$500	22	7.3	\$0
07-2011 Gilhooley, Jack Manatee	\$1,000	22	7.3	\$0
07-2012 Klein, Mary T Pinellas	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000

<b>AEP App # (Continued) Applicant Name Applicant County</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	<b>Eligible Request</b>
07-2013 Larson, Rebecca Sexton Hillsborough	\$1,000	29	9.7	\$1,000
07-2014 Paine, Morgan T. Collier	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2015 Lee-Chun, Susan Miami-Dade	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2016 Soledade, Augusto C. Miami-Dade	\$1,000	27	9.0	\$1,000
07-2017 Gleason, John Leon	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2018 Morello, Josephine M Manatee	\$1,000	22	7.3	\$0
07-2019 Yarling, Nicole K. Palm Beach	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
07-2020 Cummins, Patricia Miami-Dade	\$1,000	25	8.3	\$1,000
07-2021 Bryson, Vanessa M. Miami-Dade	\$1,000	18	6.0	\$0
07-2022 Bradley, Kim St. Johns	\$1,000	20	6.7	\$0
07-2023 Johnson, Jeff Brevard	\$1,000	22	7.3	\$0
07-2024 Kyle Orange	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2025 Morrisroe, Julia M. Alachua	\$1,000	30	10.0	\$1,000
07-2026 Hall, Linda D. Leon	\$750	21	7.0	\$0
07-2027 Depena, Ivan Toth Miami-Dade	\$1,000	23	7.7	\$0
07-2028 Cox, Matthew Miami-Dade	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
07-2029 Howat, Claudia Leon	\$1,000	22	7.3	\$0

<b>AEP App # (Continued) Applicant Name Applicant County</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	<b>Eligible Request</b>
07-2030 Simqu, M. K. Pinellas	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2031 McCaskill, Janice HallHillsborough	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
07-2032 Lueza, Cecilia E. Miami-Dade	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2033 Jernigan, Michael Douglas Leon	\$1,000	20	6.7	\$0
07-2034 Valladares, Julie Pinellas	\$1,000	17	5.7	\$0
07-2035 Schwartz, Jeff H. Sarasota	\$1,000	25	8.3	\$1,000
07-2036 Wyatt, M. Laine Volusia	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2037 Balzer, Barbara A Leon	\$1,000	25	8.3	\$1,000
07-2038 Garica, Sandra Miami-Dade	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2039 Schaeffler-Murphy, K. Alison Monroe	\$1,000	28	9.3	\$1,000
07-2040 Garica, Ernesto Miami-Dade	\$1,000	20	6.7	\$0
07-2041 Phillips, Kerry Miami-Dade	\$1,000	25	8.3	\$1,000
07-2042 Hyland, David Palm Beach	\$750	19	6.3	\$0
07-2043 Sylvester, Steven Broward	\$1,000	26	8.7	\$1,000
07-2044 Burge, Aleta J. Miami-Dade	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2045 Gaydos, Patricia Putnam	\$750	21	7.0	\$0
07-2046 Carvalho, Adriana Miami-Dade	\$500	20	6.7	\$0

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07-2047 Leone, Anthony (A.J) Joseph Pasco	\$1,000	18	6.0	\$0
07-2048 Perez, Leahndra Broward	\$1,000	25	8.3	\$1,000
07-2049 Perez, Jorge Luis Broward	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2050 Vires, Michael Charlotte	\$1,000	23	7.7	\$0
07-2051 Brougher, Jill Alachua	\$1,000	25	8.3	\$1,000
07-2052 Sharpe, Dustin Palm Beach	\$750	23	7.7	\$0
07-2053 Wilcox, Kathleen Leon	\$1,000	22	7.3	\$0
07-2054 Neal, Greg Pinellas	\$1,000	26	8.7	\$1,000
07-2055 Levy, Charles E. Alachua	\$1,000	26	8.7	\$1,000
07-2056 Quigley, Patrick Dupre Miami-Dade	\$1,000	28	9.3	\$1,000
07-2057 Riske, Patricia Orange	\$500	16	5.3	\$0
07-2058 Wikstrom, Jan Clay	\$1,000	26	8.7	\$1,000
07-2059 Houle, Jaye Leon	\$1,000	27	9.0	\$1,000
07-2060 Crowe, Milla Collier	\$750	23	7.7	\$0
07-2061 Flynn, Kelly Miami-Dade	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
07-2062 Kissik, Kathy Miami-Dade	\$1,000	20	6.7	\$0

<b>AEP App # (Continued) Applicant Name Applicant County</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	<b>Eligible Request</b>
07-2063 Picart, Caroline Joan (Kay) Leon	\$1,000	20	6.7	\$0
07-2064 Weeks, Christopher W. Hillsborough	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2065 Cooke, Robert Duval	\$1,000	8	2.7	\$0
07-2066 Delany, Thomas M. St. Johns	\$1,000	8	2.7	\$0
07-2067 Stay, Christine Palm Beach	\$500	22	7.3	\$0
07-2068 Iglesias, Lisa Alachua	\$1,000	22	7.3	\$0
07-2069 Hanzl, Jerry Brevard	\$750	18	6.0	\$0
07-2070 Diaz, Alexander St. Johns	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2071 Rey, Renee Miami-Dade	\$1,000	22	7.3	\$0
07-2072 Keeney, Belea T Citrus	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2073 Rose, Marie Duval	\$1,000	20	6.7	\$0
07-2074 Wiggins, Linda D. St. Johns	\$500	18	6.0	\$0
07-2075 Champion, Michael Leon	\$750	20	6.7	\$0
07-2076 Parker, Anita Manatee	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
07-2077 Nawabi, Kymia Alachua	\$1,000	20	6.7	\$0
07-2078 Lindner, Ellen Brevard	\$1,000	26	8.7	\$1,000

<b>AEP App # (Continued)</b>	<b>Applicant Name</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	<b>Eligible Request</b>
07-2079	McMackin, Meredith Leon	\$750	23	7.7	\$0
07-2080	Gould, Angela Alachua	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2081	Ford, Terresa Broward	\$1,000	24	8.0	\$1,000
07-2082	Ihns, Joe Seminole	\$1,000	21	7.0	\$0
07-2083	Anderson, Tamara Alachua	\$750	26	8.7	\$750
07-2084	Pike, Nikki Hillsborough	\$1,000	19	6.3	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>\$31,000</b>

### Quarterly Assistance Program Awards

<b>QA App #</b>	<b>Applicant Name</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	<b>Recommended Award</b>
<b>Application Title</b>					
<b>Applicant County</b>					
<b>Priority 1 Mini Grants</b>					
07-5413	Okaloosa Chambers Singers Inc OCS 2006-2007 Concert Series Okaloosa	\$1,500	253	84.3	\$1,500
07-5415	The Hermitage Artist Retreat, Inc Tools of Outreach and Education Sarasota	\$667	277	92.3	\$667
07-5423	Delray Beach Film Festival Delray Beach Film Festival Palm Beach	\$1,500	160	53.3	\$0
<b>Priority 2 Mini Grants</b>					
07-5422	Polk Arts Alliance, Inc. Polk Arts Alliance Community Arts Program Polk	\$1,500	244	81.3	\$1,500
<b>Special Projects</b>					
07-5417	Naples Art Association, Inc. d/b/a The von Liebig Art Center 45th Founders Juried Awards Exhibition Collier	\$5,000	264	88.0	\$5,000

QA App # (Continued) Applicant Name Application Title Applicant County	Request	Total Points	Average Score	Recommended Award
07-5418 Jewish Community Center Greater Palm Beaches Palm Beach Jewish Film Festival's ENCORE FILM SERIES Palm Beach	\$5,000	258	86.0	\$5,000
07-5419 The Orlando Chorale, Inc. 5th Anniversary Celebration Orange	\$5,000	282	94.0	\$5,000
07-5420 Master Chorale of South Florida MCSF Performance of Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 Broward	\$5,000	251	83.7	\$5,000
<b>State Supported</b>				
07-5414 University of Florida Division of Sponsored Research Intergrating Curriculum, Theory and Practice Alachua	\$5,000	272	90.7	\$5,000
07-5421 Tallahassee Community College TCC Wakulla Center Consultant to Develop Cultural Training Manual Wakulla	\$4,600	221	73.7	\$0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$34,767</b>			<b>\$28,667</b>

**X. Committee Reports**

**A. Awards Committee Report** – Sibille Pritchard, Committee Chairman, reviewed the report as follows:

The 2007 Awards Committee convened in Melbourne on September 13, 2006, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, to make recommendations from the list of nominees for the Florida Artist Hall of Fame and Florida Arts Recognition awards.

Due to quorum issues, Committee Chair Sibille Pritchard asked Division Director Sandy Shaughnessy to Chair the meeting. This enabled Mrs. Pritchard to participate in the committee deliberations. Sandy Shaughnessy called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

In attendance were Committee members Sibille Pritchard, Norma Roth, and Margaret Wise. Others in attendance were Jacqueline Bradley, James Shaw, David Bear, Timothy Deratany, Margo Bindhardt and Gary Libby. Division Staff in attendance were Sandy Shaughnessy, Laura Stone, and Rachelle Ashmore.

The meeting began with discussion from Norma Roth. Mrs. Roth strongly disagreed with regard to a prior meeting discussion that although an artist may win an award within a group, that they not be considered from winning an award based on their own individual artistic merit. Mrs. Roth wanted the Council to discuss this, and made mention that you wouldn't disqualify Michelangelo just because he was a Renaissance artist and fell into that group.

There was general discussion about eight of the Florida Hall of Fame nominations. Those included in the eight were Hank Locklin, John Seerey-Lester, Purvis Young, Jules Andre Smith, Lawrence Will, James Hutchinson, Johnny Tillotson, and Christopher Still. From this group of eight, Sibille Pritchard made a motion to narrow it down to the following four people; Purvis Young, Hank Locklin, Jules Andre Smith, and James Hutchinson. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. There was a motion made that James Gibson be recommended for the Florida Arts Recognition Award. Norma Roth seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Following Mrs. Pritchard's report, the Council prepared to vote on the award recommendations. Tim Deratany moved to recommend James Gibson as the recipient of the Arts Recognition Award. Margaret Wise seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Chairman Pritchard then called for a vote on the Hall of Fame Award. Gary Libby moved to limit the amount of votes for the Hall of Fame to two. Tim Deratany seconded the motion. The motion passed.

After the ballots were tabulated, it was determined that Hank Locklin received a 2/3 majority vote, qualifying him to be automatically recommended to the Secretary of State. No other nominees received a 2/3 or simple majority vote. David Bear moved to recommend Hank Locklin to the Secretary of State for induction into the Florida Artists Hall of Fame. Katharine Dickenson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**B. Governmental Affairs Committee Report** – Sibille Pritchard, Committee Chairman, reviewed the report as follows:

Committee Chairman Sibille Pritchard called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. on September 13, 2006, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Melbourne. Committee members present were Margo Bindhardt and Tim Deratany. Other Council members in attendance were Jim Shaw, David Bear, Norma Roth and Gary Libby.

Rivers Buford, Department of State Legislative Affairs Director, attended the meeting via conference call and gave an update on the Department's upcoming Legislative Session activities.

Sandy Shaughnessy made a presentation, "Focusing on the Future," regarding the Council's role in advocacy efforts and what to expect during the upcoming transition.

Sherron Long, Florida Cultural Alliance, gave a presentation on the Alliance's plans for the 2007 Legislative Session. Ms. Long distributed statistical materials indicating the progress of program funding over the last decade, as well as results of a per capita study and what investments need to be made in order to meet the increasing organizational need.

JuDee Pettijohn reported that a joint chairman's meeting between Sibille Pritchard; Judy Bense, Florida Historical Commission; and Timothy Schmand, Florida Folklife Council; was held to discuss a plan of action for addressing the staff salary rate issue within the Department of State. The Division of Cultural Affairs conducted a survey of other state

agencies and found that it would require an approximate \$500,000 increase in overall salary rate to bring staff up to the national average.

Following Committee discussion, it was determined that member of the Council would travel to Tallahassee to meet with the new Speaker and President, as well as committee leadership, to discuss the importance of cultural funding. Rivers Buford volunteered to help set up the meetings.

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

**C. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers** – Jim Shaw, Committee Chairman, reviewed the report as follows:

The Nominating Committee convened at 11:05 a.m. on September 8, 2006, via conference call, to recommend a slate of officers to serve during the upcoming term. Committee members present were Alejandro Aguirre, David Bear, and Jeffrey Tucker. Department staff members in attendance were JuDee Pettijohn, Sandy Shaughnessy, and Dianne Alborn.

Following a review the survey results received from the other members of the Council and thoughtful deliberation, the committee unanimously recommended the following slate of officers:

**Chairman** – Katharine Dickenson  
**Vice Chairman** – Stephen Hogge  
**Secretary** – Jacqueline Bradley

The committee was asked by staff to consider the new appointment term dates and service of Council officers. Should the officer terms coincide with the new appointment terms starting January 1?

Following discussion, the committee agreed to change the officer terms to align with the new appointment terms – January 1 through December 31.

With no further business, the Committee adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Following Mr. Shaw's report, Jacqueline Bradley moved to consider Margo Bindhardt as Vice Chairman in order to maintain consistency and experience within the slate due to the upcoming administration transition. For discussion purposes, Sibille Pritchard seconded the motion. Margo Bindhardt and Stephen Hogge recused themselves. Following a lengthy discussion, Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Pritchard withdrew their motion.

Jim Shaw moved approval of the original slate of recommended officers with Tim Deratany seconding. The motion passed.

## **XI. Other Business**

**A. Statewide Cultural Calendar Discussion** – Stephen Hogge reported that a conference call was held on August 24, 2006, for the purpose of exploring the possibility of creating a statewide online cultural calendar. Participants included Mr. Hogge, Department staff, and several members of the cultural community versed in the creation and maintenance of cultural calendars.

Highlights of the conference call were:

**Concept**

The following points were discussed under this section:

- The calendar should be searchable by discipline, region, city or county.
- Should utilize a shared database in order to avoid the need to input data more than once. Organizations should be able to post to their local calendars, which would automatically post to the state calendar.
- A good marketing tool and branding opportunity for Florida's cultural community, especially if linked with VISIT FLORIDA.

**Approach**

The following points were discussed under this section:

- A small percentage of organizations will be consistent in posting their events to the state calendar. This potential obstacle will require additional staff time to market and contact organizations on a regular basis to remind them to post their events. It would also require staff time to search other publications and post items found elsewhere.
- Should the event data be tied to grant awards – requiring organizations that receive grants from the state to post their events?
- Should the calendar include only major events or all cultural events?
- Will the calendar include a link to LAA calendars? The end product should not duplicate efforts.
- Who will ultimately use the calendar? Where will the resources come from i.e. how much will it cost; who will pay for it; who will maintain it, etc?
- This will be a large project requiring a tremendous amount of research and planning. It should be approached in incremental stages.

**Follow-up**

- Kerri Post, Visit Florida, volunteered to contact her counterparts in other states to determine what their cultural calendar concepts are.
- Sherron Long will add the cultural calendar and shared database concept to her current survey on LAA services.
- The discussion group will reconvene in early November and include technical advisors.

**B. Open Council Discussion** – Chairman Pritchard asked the Council if there was any further business to be brought before the Council.

Katharine Dickenson thanked the Council for their vote of confidence in selecting her as the next Council Chairman and asked the members to contact her with any issues that need action.

Gary Libby suggested the Council read a recent research report developed by the Center of Tourism, Florida TaxWatch, which gives an executive summary on the impact of tourism on the Florida economy.

**XI. Public Comment**

No public comment was received.

**XII. Conclusion**

With no further business, the meeting concluded at 4:40 p.m.

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Sibille Pritchard, Chairman  
Florida Arts Council

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David Bear, Secretary  
Florida Arts Council

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Sandy Shaughnessy, Director  
Division of Cultural Affairs