



**FLORIDA ARTS COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 3, 2005
Conference Call**



In Attendance:

Florida Arts Council	Department Staff
Sibille Pritchard, Chairman	JuDee Pettijohn, Deputy Secretary
David Bear, Vice Chairman	Sandy Shaughnessy, Director
Alejandro Aguirre	Dianne Alborn
Jacqueline Bradley	Morgan Barr
Katharine Dickenson	Lee Modica
Stephen Hogge	Dr. Gaylen Phillips
Christopher Larmoyeux	
I. Stanley Levine	
John W. Payson	
Norma Roth	
James Shaw	
Dr. Suzanne Teate	
Jeffrey Tucker	

I. Call to Order

Chairman Sibille Pritchard called the conference call meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

II. Introduction of Council, Staff and Guests

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

III. Adoption of Agenda

Katharine Dickenson moved approval of the agenda with Suzanne Teate seconding. The motion carried. Note – by special request, the Nominating Committee Report item was moved ahead in the agenda; however, for consistency, the minutes are presented in order of the original agenda.

IV. Business Items

A. Artist Enhancement Grant Program Report – Stephen Hogge, Committee Chairman, reviewed the report as follows:

The Artist Enhancement Grant Review Panel convened via conference call on September 15, 2005 to recommend Artist Enhancement awards for the 2005-2006 fiscal year.

The panel reviewed 105 eligible Artist Enhancement applications and recommended that 35 applicants receive artist enhancement awards for a total of \$33,750.

Panel comments:

One panelist commented that the program could benefit from some clarification on the purpose of the grant funds. He stated that though the guidelines specify the funds will not be used for project oriented activities, there may be some activities that fall under this category which can still be beneficial to an artist’s career. The panelist suggested

that the applicant be required to justify in the application how the project will benefit their career artistically.

The issue of using the grant funds to support marketing costs was also brought into question. One panelist was not sure whether or not it was appropriate to use the funds to create a web page, which would then be used to encourage the sale of artwork.

The panelists also commented on the need for more specific and universal definitions for the activities that were to be funded. They mentioned that the terms "workshops" and "master classes" were being used in some instances inappropriately by applicants and thought that perhaps a glossary of terms in the guidelines might be helpful.

Public comments:

Members of the public thanked the panel members for their review of the applications and work at the panel meeting. Comments were also made about "project oriented applications" and how a clarification of this issue may also be helpful for the applicants. Members of the public also commented on the importance of support materials in submitting a competitive application.

At the conclusion of his report, Stephen Hogge moved approval with Jacqueline Bradley seconding. The motion was approved. See **Attachment A** for a list of recommended awards.

B. Art in State Buildings Program Recommendations – Lee Modica reviewed the results of selection committee meetings for sites at Florida State University, Florida Atlantic University, and the University of North Florida for a total acquisition of \$175,600.

Stanley Levine moved approval of the selection process. Suzanne Teate seconded the motion. The motion carried.

V. Committee Report

A. Quarterly Assistance Committee Report – John Payson, Committee Chairman, reviewed the report as follows:

The Quarterly Assistance Grant Review Committee for the second quarter of FY 2005-06 took place via conference call on September 20, 2005 at 9:10 a.m. with Council committee members Sallyn Pajcic, Norma Roth, James Shaw, and outside panelist Anthony Dixon.

Funding was considered for nine (9) Quarterly Assistance applicant organizations with a total request of \$23,500. After detailed discussion on the merits of each, the committee recommended all of the applications for full funding in the amount of \$23,500. Panelists have provided written comments on each application and copies of these will be sent to all applicants.

Participating applicants expressed their thanks to the panel.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

At the conclusion of Mr. Payson's report, Stanley Levine moved approval with Suzanne Teate seconding the motion. The motion was approved. See **Attachment B** for a list of recommended awards.

B. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers for 2005-06 –

Jacqueline Bradley reviewed the report as follows:

The Nominating Committee convened at 11:00 a.m. on September 7, 2005, via conference call, to recommend a slate of officers to serve during the 2005-06 term. Committee members present were Sibille Pritchard, Chairman; Jacqueline Bradley; Stephen Hogge; Stanley Levine; and Suzanne Teate.

Following introductions, Chairman Pritchard began the meeting with a discussion regarding the committee process. In the past, prior to the committee meeting, staff would distribute survey materials to Council members canvassing nominations from the members to assist the committee in making their recommendations. The committee determined that it was no longer necessary to operate in this manner and would base their decision strictly on nominations brought forth during the committee discussions only.

The Committee unanimously recommends the following slate of Officers for 2005-06:

Chairman – Sibille Pritchard
Vice Chairman – John Whitney Payson
Secretary – David Bear

Due to the fact that the September Florida Arts Council meeting was cancelled, a special meeting will be convened via conference call to vote on a slate of officers on a date to be determined. Additional nominations can be provided at that time by members of the Council.

With no further business, the Committee adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

At the conclusion of the report, Mrs. Bradley called for any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, she proceeded to call for a vote on each nomination.

Sibille Pritchard for Chairman – *recommendation approved*
John Whitney Payson for Vice Chairman – *recommendation approved*
David Bear for Secretary – *recommendation approved*

VI. Other Business and Open Council Discussion

Sibille Pritchard reminded her fellow Council members to finish reading their assigned Cultural Facilities Program grant applications in preparation for the November meeting.

Katharine Dickenson offered a warm welcome to Palm Beach in anticipation of the November Arts Council meeting.

JuDee Pettijohn and Lee Modica announced that the Department of Transportation has decided to move forward with their plan to select Florida artists to design the new state roadside welcome signs.

David Bear suggested that a discussion take place on the nomination of Council Officers and the job description for the position of Vice Chairman. Sibille Pritchard asked staff to place a special item on the November meeting agenda to discuss this issue.

VII. Public Comment

No public comment was received.

VIII. Conclusion

With no further business, the meeting concluded at 1:50 p.m.

Sibille Pritchard, Chairman
Florida Arts Council

Margaret Wise, Secretary
Florida Arts Council

Sandy Shaughnessy, Director
Division of Cultural Affairs