



Lewiston City Library Art Committee Meeting Minutes

02.22.24

4 pm - Community Room

- 1. Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:03 PM. Members present included Deena Heath, John Patterson, Linda Scott, Ray Esparsen, Kelsey Grafton, Erin Cassetto and Lynn Johnson.
- 2. Approval of previous meeting minutes:** The motion to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2024 meeting was made by Kelsey Grafton and seconded by John Patterson. All were in favor.
- 3. Unfinished Business**
 - a. Chair Position - John Patterson moved to install Deena Heath as chairperson of the subcommittee and Erin Cassetto seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- 4. New Business**
 - a. Committee Member Recruitment
 - I. Discussion about other potential candidates for the committee took place with suggestions to be brought forward at the March meeting. Potential new members mentioned included Rachel Eastman and Liz Coleman. No formal action took place. Kelsey will contact Rachel and Erin will contact Liz.
 - b. Development of Strategy for Identifying Potential Artist for 2025 Exhibits
 - I. Committee Engagement is requested by Deena when recruiting artists for potential installations. Each member is requested to seek out artists that may be interested in sharing their work and to bring forward names, contact information and examples of work in order for the committee select possible artists of interest. Committee member who brought the suggestion forward will be responsible for contacting the artist to find out if they are interested in exhibiting. Artists can also be encouraged to apply on the library website.

II. Further discussion included the need for a more flexible schedule for installation, determining how many pieces an artist may have to show and how long they would like for their work to be on display. Committee members are also encouraged to assist with installations and attend opening receptions.

c. New Non-art Exhibit Projects

I. Poet Laureate - Opportunity to Engage the Writer's Community

i. Deena presented information about the Moscow Poet Laureate program. Other members seemed interested in beginning a program in the valley but had questions such as who and how we could partner with Lewis Clark State College, how such a program could be funded. Kelsey will contact potential partners in the English department. John moved to further investigate this program for creation and Linda seconded the motion. All were in favor.

II. Children's Musical Instrument Fair

i. Deena shared information about a potential children's musical instrument fair which was proposed as a possible collaboration with the local high school or middle school music programs. John questioned if the high school students could share or demonstrate their instruments and when the best time of year to host this kind of program would be. Deena will check with high school/middle school music teachers. Health concerns about sharing instruments, especially those that utilize mouthpieces. Kelsey moved to research and further develop this program and John seconded the motion. All were in favor.

5. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. March 21, 2024
- b. April 18, 2024

6. Adjournment: Ray moved to adjourn and Kelsey seconded the motion.