**Kirkwood Arts Commission**

**March 19, 2023 Minutes**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Kirkwood Community Center**

**Attendance:** Zoe Perkins, Mark Braun, Mary Butkus, Glenda Hares, April Morris, Andy Palombo,, Liz Gibbons (City Council Liaison), Kyle Henke (City Liaison), Art McDonnell (KAF). Not present: Rachael Brandt, Stefanie Kirkland, Erika Whittaker Liz Crabtree (GM of KPAC)

1. **CITIZEN COMMENTS** -none
2. **APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 20th, 2024 MEETING MINUTES**Zoe Perkins called the meeting to order. Mark moved to approve the minutes

and April seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

1. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
   1. **Kirkwood Arts Foundation Update**Art reported he is working with Paul Reuter on ideas for another benefit concert. He is working with Liz Crabtree on another possible fund raising event that includes an artist producing a painting while music is being played
   2. **Making Music-** Art reported that the committee met in March. The date for the fall concert was changed due to concern with a major music festival being held in St. Louis the originally scheduled weekend. They are working on keeping the flyer cost down with a redesign.
   3. **MACAA Report-** nothing to report
   4. **Gallery Program at KPAC Update-** April reported the next meeting is scheduled for March 21st. With more applicants the criteria for exhibitions needs to be reviewed.
   5. **Outdoor Public Art Committee Update-** Art reported that Amtrak will put the temporary train station in the Farmers Market greenway. Bisso Park was discussed. Kyle followed up on the possible planning grant for up to $10,000 may be available through the County Park system, however, it was unclear which department (SBD, Parks,City Council, or KAC) would make the application should this option proceed. There may be the need for public input if this grant was sought. Some people felt a grant was not needed. Julie Mosby, Art McDonnell and Donna Poe met to discuss a garden plan and the possibility of the Kirkwood Garden Club maintaining a garden in Bisso Park. April suggested that placemaking was important. Future money may be available through the Transportation Development District, a partner with the SBD.

Zoe said at the previous OPAC (outdoor public art committee) meeting the ideal of moving the Kiss sculpture to the new community center pavilion area was presented.. The committee felt it was an appropriate scale, design, and color, and could also serve as a way finding/meeting point. Several people noted that this would require an expensive change order and should have been done 6 months prior. However, the OPAC was not aware of the landscaping component of the community center renovation. Zoe suggested that the idea should still be considered as the landscaping proceeds.

* 1. **Communications Committee-** The committee will meet on April 2nd.

1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. **Roll up for the Arts initiative update:** no report

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Other matters**: Zoe reported that the Cars and Guitars Festival was being held on June 8th. Both she and Mark, who usually organize the tent will be out of town. April suggested that since we make such little money we should just give away beaded necklaces. The matter will be taken up at the next meeting.
2. **KPAC GM Report**
   1. Upcoming Events- no report
3. **ARTS COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT**
4. **COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**
5. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Meeting Date April 16th, 2024**

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**Chair:** Zoe Perkins

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