**The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM by Zoe Perkins, Chairperson. In attendance: Zoe Perkins, Jim Erwin, Glenda Hares, Andrew Smith, Stefani Kirkland, Deanna Stevenson, Ellen Edman, Erika Whittaker, April Morris, Kyle Henke (Staff Liaison), Maggie Duwe (Council Liaison), Rick Duplissie, (KPAC General Manager).**

1. **CITIZEN COMMENTS –** There were no citizen comments.
2. **APPROVAL OF JUNE 22, 2021, and JULY 20, 2021, MEETING MINUTES**

a. April Morris moved to approve the June 22, 2021 minutes. James Erwin seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously as written.

b. Erika Whitaker moved to approve the July 20, 2021, minutes. James seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously as written.

1. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. Kirkwood Arts Foundation -– Art McDonnell reported that the Making Music Concert attendance and donations are excellent.

b. Making Music –-Erika stated that the last concert had 350-400 people attending and a collection of $600.00. Erika, Art, April Morris, and Zoe Perkins will work the upcoming concert.

There was a discussion about resolving the dilemma of people who would like to contribute but do not carry cash. Art reported a current difficulty with the KAFwebsite for contributions. Art and others discussed the possible of using a QCR code on programs or the donation bucket label to facilitate non-cash contributions using smart phones.

There was a discussion of “the dancer” who regularly appears at these concerts as well as many other similar community events. Kyle Henke reported that City legal counsel has determined that this activity is protected by the First Amendment as long as the activity does not interfere with the concert.

c. Mel Bay—Zoe reported that she has met with Paul Reuter from the Sheldon Theater. She will report in detail during the next KAC meeting after the subcommittee has met again.

d. Public Arts Planning — This discussion was moved to a later time in the meeting under Unfinished Business.

e. Sculpture on the Move —April reported that the only current CCA project is the mural event which will consist of displays of 4 8 foot landscape format murals.

f. Public Arts Planning—The Committee has nothing to report; the plan review will continue in Unfinished Business.

f. Sculpture on the Move —April reported that the sponsoring group for Sculpture on the Move has a new mural project with artists creating five murals exploring their own cities. The murals will be free standing for outdoor display

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**a.**  Greentree Festival Participation— Zoe will send a schedule to sign up for the Greentree Festival booth. Andrew suggested that the KAC brochure could be

updated in time if Kate would be willing to give the source file to April. April inquired about the possibility of a placeholder in the brochure for the QCR code for donations to the Foundation. There was a discussion of possible activities at the booth to attract attention. Glenda Hares will investigate the possibility of a plein air painter working at the booth. Glenda and April both offered artwork for a raffle. Time constraints and COVID social distancing are severe constraints for the KAC participation this year.

b. KPAC Visual Arts Program — Rick Duplissie has the space at KPAC to highlight local artists and organizations. The Kirkwood School District is interested in an art show. Zoe proposed content for a motion to implement this program. The Mayor has confirmed that non-commissioners can be members of a sub-committee or task force.

James moved that the KAC establish a visual arts subcommittee for the purpose of implementing a rotating visual arts program at the Kirkwood Performing Arts Center. This subcommittee will meet as needed for the duration of two years and is extendable. The committee will consist of at least two Kirkwood Arts Commission members. Ellen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Commissioners will choose the outside members. Possible sources include the Heartland Art Club and the Greater St. Louis Arts Association.

There was a reminder to update the Chair and other commissioners on personnel changes to all committees, sub-committees, and task forces during the regular meeting reports.

c. Public Art Plan — The committee did not meet during the interval between KAC meetings. The commissioners continued to suggest edits to the plan through Page 6. The process will continue through the subsequent meetings

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Outdoor Sculpture Sub Committee—This topic was tabled due to time constraints.

b. Other Matters—No other matters were up for discussion.

**VI. KPAC GM REPORT**—This report was shortened due to time constraints. “Always, Patsy Cline” continues through September 5. An important announcement will be made tomorrow through the press and social media. [This was the announcement that the musical “The Karate Kid” will open in the KPAC prior to the NY Broadway run.]

**VII. ARTS COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT —** Zoe reported that Laurie Asche will give the KAC a Sunshine Law training.

There was a discussion of updates needed for the KAC page on the City website. Art at the Station should probably be removed due to the lengthy renovation. Photos of new activities need to replace the current outdated ones.

**VIII. ARTS COMMISSION STAFF LIAISON REPORT—** This report was tabled due to constraints.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT** –- The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

**NEXT MEETING DATE: September 21, 2021. Format to be determined by City policy.**

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**Chair: Zoe Perkins**

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