

SAC MINUTES | June 27, 2023

Meeting Held In-Person at Spokane Arts & Zoom

Meeting Open: 4:30 p.m.

Notes taken by Shantell Jackson

Board Members Present: Chuck Horgan, Katie Patterson Larson, Audrey Overstreet, Kelly Baker, Madison Bush, Dylan Le

Staff Members Present: Shantell Jackson, Shelby Allison, Shelly Wynecoop

Absent: Daniel Lopez, Eva Silverstone, Remelisa Cullitan, Michael Bethely, Patti Tully, Chris Maccini

Opening

- Katie called the meeting to order and offered a land acknowledgement.
- Commissioners gave reports from the month's arts events.

Public Comment

- No comments from members of the public in attendance.

Governance and Staff Updates

- Applications being accepted for ED role. Closes on July 12th
- Governance Board planning Celebration for Melissa July 27th at the Podium

Programs

- Asphalt Updates (Shelby) Downtown Installation went well. Perry Installation went well. Had to move a block up due to original location issues.
- Chase Gallery First Friday

ARPA Grantmaking (Shelly Wynecoop)

- Spokane Arts grantmaking \$2.3 million rewarded to artists since 2017.
- ARPA Spokane Arts will distribute \$1 million to artists/organizations/creative businesses who experienced unreimbursed negative economic impacts from pandemic.
- Working with a lot of minority communities, making sure materials are accessible.
- Awards to individuals and households, business, and organizations.
Individual/ household Applications opened on 5/1 and closed on 6/15. Applicants will be notified on 7/15
- Empire Health Foundation bought in 3 national consultants to help navigate the process.
- Juan Mas was bought on board to help facilitate this process. He has been out in the community as a community navigator.
- \$200,000 to disperse to individuals; 68 eligible applicants.
- Non-Profits and Business portal opened June 1st and closes on July 15th Applicants will be notified 8/1.
\$600,000 to disperse, 59 eligible applicants. Up to 10k/25k per applicant.
- Emma suggests that we capture the story of the ARPA process and how it is impacting artists and our creative community. Audrey suggests identifying 1-2 people of what this means to them, press release, quotes. Audrey will draft the press release.
- Shelly will share slides with commission, also available to answer any more questions or walking through the process.

Updates from Commissioners

- Chase Gallery

- First Friday July 7, 2023
- Applications for 2024 exhibits will be live on July 1st and Close on August 15th
- Design Review Board
 - Reviewing Adams Elementary
- Murals Committee

New Business / Good of the Commission

- Poet Laureate call will go live first week of July
- Spokane Arts Awards nominations will go live first week of July
- On behalf of the commission, Emma is supporting the Garland district in their mission of becoming a state-certified creative district

Closing

- Motion to close, 5:23 p.m. Unanimous approval without discussion.
- **Next Meeting: July 25th, 2023**