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Minutes of a meeting of the Arts Advisory Council
Tuesday, October 1, 2013, 5pm in Room 107, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC

PRESENT: Members - Arlene Carson, Jerri Carson, Patrick Fleck (Chair), Aimée Ippersiel, Randy Nicholson, Patti Sullivan, Robert Thompson, Diane Thorpe, Lara Tomaszewska, Jessica Van der Veen

Staff - James Lam (Manager), Heather Heywood (Recording Secretary)

ABSENT: Thomas Kouk, Marilyn Sing

Chair Fleck called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Ms. J. Carson, **SECONDED** by Ms. Thorpe, the agenda be approved as distributed. **CARRIED**

2. Adoption of Minutes

Adoption of Minutes from Arts Advisory Council meeting of September 3, 2013

In response to questions Mr. Lam provided the following information:

- Item 3 - The suggested amendment to the IDEA Grant Guidelines will be revised and presented to the Arts Committee at their next meeting.
- Item 6 – any changes to Bylaw 2884 will be considered after Sidney Council reviews their participation.

MOVED by Mr. Thompson, **SECONDED** by Ms. Van der Veen, the Minutes of the CRD Arts Advisory Council meeting held on September 3, 2013, be adopted as distributed.

CARRIED

Receipt of Minutes from Arts Committee meeting of September 11, 2013

MOVED by Mr. Nicholson, **SECONDED** by Ms. Sullivan, the Minutes of the CRD Arts Committee meeting held on September 11, 2013, be received for information.

CARRIED

3. ABC'S (Activity By Council Summary)

The list of events attended by AAC members was distributed for information.

4. Chair's Report

Following his presentation to Sidney Council, an article appeared in the Saanich Voice, "Taxing for the Arts" that included a quote from Councillor Marilyn Loveless. A link will be sent to AAC members for their information.

AAC members were asked to consider timing and topics for a joint planning meeting with the Arts Committee to be discussed at the next AAC meeting. Mr. Fleck will take any suggestions to the January Arts Committee meeting.

At the Chair's request Mr. Lam provided a brief overview of the recent Economic Activity Study noting the community partners who cooperated in its production. Copies of the 'Backgrounder' and full report were available. It was noted that the full report is available online.

5. Funding Committee Chair's Report

Mr. Nicholson deferred his report to agenda item 6.

6. Operating Grant Overview

Mr. Nicholson provided an overview of the structure and process for the two upcoming interview evenings with operating grant applicants. He also reviewed the plenary meeting process reminding members they should be available until 4pm if necessary on Saturday, Nov 30th.

He noted that 34 applications had been received including two from organizations not currently funded through operating. He reviewed issues around conflict of interest making reference to materials in their information binders and asked members to contact him regarding any potential conflicts.

Mr. Lam reviewed the components that will be included in the adjudication binders and encouraged members to contact the office with any questions.

7. Correspondence

A letter from Flamenco de la Isla was received for information.

8. New Business

- Brochures were distributed for 'Baubles & Bling', an artsREACH fundraising event.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

The next regular meeting is 5pm, January 7, 2014.