

Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, January 22, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT		MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF PRESENT	GUESTS PRESENT
J. Kopenhaver, Chair	C. Patch	R. Goler	B. Halvorson	Libby Garvey
W. Baez	M. Semmel	L. Lombard	J. Lynch	
C. Cadby	L. Wolf	L. Sarli	J. Ortiz	
E. Fountain	T. Worden	D. Taylor	S. Soroko	
J. Hensley			K. Vasquez	
B. Kavanaugh				

**1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**

Janet Kopenhaver welcomed members. The regular meeting of the Arlington Commission for the Arts was called to order by Janet Kopenhaver at 7:14 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion was made by Edwin Fountain to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2013 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.*

**3. UPDATE/ANNUAL REPORT ON ARTISPHERE – Jose Ortiz**

- Ortiz provided history to date of Artisphere, current governance under Arlington Economic Development, and management team staff updates.
- Ortiz reported highlights from the Artisphere FY13 Annual Report.
- Highlights of business and artistic partnerships, audience tracking, program overviews, artists in residence and newly established foundation (Arlington Foundation for Arts and Innovation) were featured.
- Future plans include building the core audience and attracting new visitors with experimental work.

**4. CHAIR’S REPORT – Janet Kopenhaver**

- Kopenhaver reported meeting with County Board member Libby Garvey as the current Board liaison to the Arts Commission.
- Kopenhaver asked Vasquez to provide details of how arts contribute to the community.
- Vasquez outlined a template for assessing value from both an economic benefit standpoint and from an intrinsic standpoint.
- Kopenhaver reported ongoing advocacy to restore arts grants funding to prior levels.
- Kopenhaver introduced County Board member Libby Garvey.
- Ms. Garvey gave a presentation outlining updates to the Commission Handbook

**5. Cultural Affairs Report – Karen Vasquez**

- Vasquez reported on work with the Commission to update Advisory Group Charter as requested by Arlington County Board.

- *Motion was made by L. Wolf to approve that Karen Vasquez submit the Jan. 22 Arlington Arts Commission draft charter, as presented and edited, to be reviewed by the Arlington County Board in a timely manner. The motion passed unanimously.*

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.*

Documents distributed:

- Artisphere FY2013 Year End Report
- Power Point outline of Introduction to The New Arlington County Advisory Group Handbook
- Draft of Arlington Commission for the Arts Charter in Standard Advisory Group Charter Format

The next meeting of the Arlington Commission for the Arts will be held at 7:00 p.m., February 19, 2014 at 1100 N. Glebe Rd., Arlington, VA 22201

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