

Official Minutes of the Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission

Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2010

Location: Library Meeting Room, 3900 Main Street

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. and a quorum was present.
 - Members present: Jerry Barshop, Hugo Martinez, Mary Drayer, Jerry Hickman, Leila McNeill and Kris Kriofske.
 - Members excused: Joyce Baxter.
 - Staff present: Kathy Cockcroft and Brenda Kennedy.
- 2) Consider approving minutes of the regular meeting of November 10, 2009.

Motion made by Jerry Barshop to accept the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Jerry Hickman; motion passed unanimously.
- 3) Discuss budget overview from prior month.
 - Account balance \$3,650.00, no expenditures since last meeting.
 - a) Update on Arts and Humanities grants.

Discussed grants; forms are available at the library; Kathy Cockcroft is the contact person. Deadline to submit grant requests (other than Art in Education grants) is February 1, 2010.
- 4) Review activity/project timeline.
 - Young Artist Contest: will place on July 2010 AHC agenda; will publicize November 2010; display in January 2011 and City Council presentation February 2011.
 - Art in Education: will place on Feb 2010 AHC agenda; will publicize March 2010; applications due May 10, 2010 and grant payments August 2010.
 - Regional Writing Contest: will place on February 2010 AHC agenda; will publicize April 2010; entries due May 1, 2010 and City Council presentation June 2010.
 - Photography Contest: will place on April 2010 AHC agenda; will publicize July 2010; entries due in September and City Council presentation October 2010.
 - Grants: will place on November AHC agenda; will publicize January; entries due February 1; grants will be reviewed at February AHC meeting.
- 5) Discuss upcoming joint work session with City Council scheduled for Tuesday, March 2, 2010.
 - Continue to promote Cultural Arts Center to be built within Rowlett city limits; request authorization to do informational study (gather data, do surveys, etc); groups need performance center, currently groups have to leave the City for performances.
 - Present 2009 accomplishments of Commission.
 - February 15, 2010 deadline to have materials to Kathy Cockcroft for City Council agenda item.
- 6) Discuss plans to keep Cultural Arts Center in City's vision.
 - Hugo asked members to be considering whom they could approach to create a non-profit organization, head up joint committee, someone well known locally.
- 7) Update from standing committees:
 - Writing Contest – Mary Drayer will have flyer at next meeting and will send out information to various press outlets.
 - Photography Contest – no report.

- Arts Shows – no report.
- Art in Education grants – will discuss at next meeting.
- Westshore and More – no report.

8) Standing reports:

a) Update from Lakeshore Symphonic Winds.

Hugo announced the brass section from the Lakeshore Symphonic Winds performed at Firewheel mall. Joint concert, "Old Fashioned Christmas" with the Rowlett Community Chorale was well received; had good attendance. Announced upcoming concert on February 27, more information at February meeting.

b) Update from the Rowlett Community Chorale.

Joint concert, "Old Fashioned Christmas" with the Rowlett Community Chorale was well received; had good attendance.

9) Public Announcements:

- Kris announced he would not be at the next meeting.
- Kris announced CORP (Community of Rowlett Performers) play during the month of February; title is "Divorce Southern Style".
- Kris will work on setting up a time for Commission to visit new Rockwall-Heath High School Performing Arts Center.

10) Future topics:

- Call to order
- Consider approving minutes from previous meeting
- Discuss budget overview of previous month
 - a) Review and approve AHC grants
- Discuss upcoming joint work session with City Council scheduled for Tuesday, March 2, 2010
- Discuss plans to keep Cultural Art Center in City's vision
- Update on Standing Committees
 - a) Writing Contest
 - b) Photography Contest
 - c) Young Artists Contest
 - d) Art in Education grants
 - d) Westshore and More
- Standing Reports:
 - a) Update from Lakeshore Symphonic Winds (Hugo Martinez)
 - b) Update from Rowlett Community Chorale (Mary Drayer)
- Public announcements
- Future topics

11) Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Approved by the Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission:



 Signature of Chairman

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 Date