

**CULTURAL COUNCIL of VOLUSIA COUNTY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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**January 25, 2008**

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**MEMBERS:**

Bob Dahlen, Chair  
Katherine Smith-Williams, Vice Chair  
Bill Dreggors  
Steven Hardock  
Wendell Jarrard  
Tim Ludwig  
Donna Sue Sanders  
Jim Ward  
Sandra Wilson

**MEETING PLACE:**

Training Room,  
Thomas C. Kelly Admin. Center  
123 W. Indiana Ave.  
Deland, FL

**STAFF:** Nancy Maddox, Mike Fincher

**Guests:** Wayne Atherholt, Eric Lariviere, Rachael Leonard, Karen Harris, Jennifer Coolidge, Ann Brady

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** - Chair Dahlen called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Roll was called. Ms. Smith-Williams was absent. A quorum was declared.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – From November 9, 2007 Regular Meeting and December 11, 2007 Special Meeting. **MOTION** by Member Ludwig, 2nd by Member Jarrard. *“To accept minutes as presented.”* **Motion passed unanimously.**

**ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Ocean Center Expansion** – M. Fincher advised that the Call to Artists had gone out in November and that the application deadline was January 15. Approximately 90 applications had been received and were being reviewed by Staff. Applications were received from all over the U.S. The first review meeting will be held in late February. Member Sanders advised that the construction was still planned for completion by the end of the year but that the County Council was not planning on a grand opening until later in the spring of 2009. Mr. Ludwig asked whether the submission process was all digital and if so whether a disk could be prepared for each member. M. Fincher advised that he would look into it.

**Historic Courthouse** – Mr. Dreggors reported that all selected artists had been contacted and the procurement process was underway. Contracts are being developed with each artist and commissioned project have already been started.

**Beach Services HQ Bldg.** – M. Fincher advised that the first meeting is scheduled with the Committee on February 22. The committee will visit the construction site to look at possible locations for the art. The exact budget for this project has not been completely determined but it is expected to be approximately \$50,000.

**Environmental Learning Center** – Ms. Maddox advised that this is a new project that is associated with the expansion of the Deltona Regional Library and the Lyonia Environmental Preserve. It will be a small public art project with a budget under \$50,000 so an open Call to Artists will not be required. The Committee will still require a Chair to be appointed from the CCVC. The first meeting with the architects is scheduled for late February. Chair Dahlen asked for a volunteer to serve as chair of this committee. Member Jarrard volunteered and Member Ludwig agreed to assist as well.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chair Dahlen asked the Council if they were interested in having more meetings on the east side of the County. Member Ward said if we move the meetings around, we might attract more guests. Jennifer Coolidge from the Museum of Florida Art suggested that the grant recipient organizations would probably be interested in hosting the meeting in their facilities. The CCVC agreed that this was a good idea and that we could still alternate between the east and west sides of the County. Staff agreed to make the necessary arrangements. The next meeting will be held at a site on the east side on March 28.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Election of Officers** – M. Fincher advised that by-laws require that a Chair and Vice Chair be elected at the first meeting of the calendar year. No member can serve more than two consecutive terms. Chair Dahlen asked for nominations from the members.

Member Ludwig nominated Vice Chair Smith-Williams for Chair with Member Jarrard seconding the nomination. No additional nominations were made. The nomination was unanimously approved.

Member Ward nominated Donna Sue Sanders for Vice Chair with Member Ludwig seconding the nomination. No additional nominations were made. The nomination was unanimously approved.

**Request from the Daytona Beach International Festival (DBIF)** – Eric Lariviere President and Executive Director of DBIF requested that the CCVC transfer Community Cultural Grant eligibility from Central Florida Cultural Endeavors (CFCE) to DBIF. He provided background on the reason for the dissolution of CFCE and formation of DBIF. The request is to transfer FY2007-08 allocation of \$64,800 and all future eligibility to DBIF. He advised that the new organization has assumed the total mission and programming commitments of CFCE. He further advised that the State of Florida has approved transferring eligibility of the State Grant. Ms. Maddox advised that the CCVC would have to approve a waiver of the two year 501(c)3 requirement and that the Country Council would have to approve the recommendation as well. Member Ludwig asked about the debts of CFCE and whether DBIF has assumed them as well. Mr. Lariviere advised that all prior debts have been satisfied and that DBIF was operating with no residual liability of CFCE.

**MOTION** by Member Ludwig, 2nd by Member Jarrard. *“To recommend to County Council to approve the transfer Community Cultural Grant Eligibility from CFCE to DBIF and award the approved FY2007-08 allocation of approximately \$64,800 to DBIF.”* **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Request from the Museum of Florida Art (MOFA) to Support Request for Weekend Access to the Legendary Florida Exhibit in the Historic Courthouse** – Jennifer Coolidge, Executive Director of MOFA spoke to request support for increased access to the Legendary Florida Exhibit in the Historic Courthouse. She described the programs that are currently being conducted. Several Members spoke in support. Member Ludwig suggested that each CCVC member contact their County Council representative personally as well to discuss this recommendation.

**MOTION** by Member Ludwig, 2nd by Member Hardock. *“To support MOFA’s request to the County Council to Expand Access to the Legendary Florida Collection on Weekends.”* **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Arts Education** – Member Ludwig asked that the CCVC take action to look at ways to help support and promote Arts Education. Member Hardock suggested establishing a sub-committee and work in conjunction with Suzi Preston of Volusia County Schools and the VCCA. He agreed to Chair such a sub-committee and Member Ludwig agreed to participate as well.

### **VCCA REPORT/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Jennifer Coolidge, incoming President of VCCA introduced several board members and spoke about their meeting schedule and goals for the year.

Ms. Maddox announced that Bill Dreggors was being presented the Mary Darby Collins Call Award at Preservation Days in Tallahassee in April for his volunteerism in Historic Preservation efforts. He will be presented the award by the Governor and Secretary of State Kurt Browning.

Ms. Maddox announced that the Florida Association of Museums is presenting a work shop on non-profit advocacy at DeBary Hall on February 26. Representative Patterson will be the keynote speaker and Chairman Bruno will make the introductions.

Nancy announced that Volusia Day in Tallahassee is April 3 and Arts Day is April 2 for anyone who can attend. She also invited organizations to provide display materials and handouts for the Volusia County exhibit booth.

Mr. Ludwig announced that he had received an Individual Artist Grant from the State of Florida.

Ms. Wilson announced that she had received the Volunteer of the Year Award from the City of DeBary.

**ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Chair Dahlen adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted- Mike Fincher, Cultural Coordinator and Recording Secretary.