

**CULTURAL COUNCIL of VOLUSIA COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 27, 2006**

MEMBERS:

Donna Sue Sanders, Chair
Tippen Davidson, Vice Chair
Bob Dahlen
Bill Dreggors
Steven Hardock
Tim Ludwig
Paul Politis
Sandra Wilson

MEETING PLACE:

Volusia County Historic Courthouse
120 W. Indiana Avenue
DeLand, FL

STAFF: Nancy Maddox, Mike Fincher

Guests: Gary Libby, Janet Kersey, Craig Bryson, Tim Augustine, Barbara Wolfson

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Sanders called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Roll was called and a quorum was announced. Members absent were T. Davidson and P. Politis

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – From November 18, 2005 – Regular Meeting. MOTION
by Member Dahlen 2nd by Member Hardock *“To accept minutes as presented.”* **Motion**
passed unanimously.

III. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ocean Center Expansion – No Report. Next meeting expected when architects are in town, possibly in February.

Historic Courthouse in DeLand – Member Ludwig introduced Craig Bryson as the newest member of the APP Selection Committee. CCVC members, staff and guests toured the Courthouse to survey locations for consideration for art to be purchased with APP funds. Six major areas were identified; North and South entry foyers, West alcoves off each foyer, ground floor corridor along absentee balloting area and glass display cases in the first floor rotunda. Staff to measure areas to determine number of pieces needed and reissue Call to Artist. The Call to Artist is to be revised to not restrict style of art. Staff to develop a timetable for re-issue of the Call to Artist and reactivation of the Selection Committee.

There was concern on the part of several members that the public areas of the building looked cluttered and that there was no control over what was displayed nor any standards maintained regarding temporary signage. Council wants to recommend to County Council that some signage standards be imposed and instructions be issued to tenant organizations regarding building appearance.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

1. Individual Artist Grant – A draft copy of the Grant Application was distributed to members for their review. Staff received instruction to develop a timetable for implementation and present it at next meeting.

2. CCG Grant Eligibility Status for Very Special Arts –Volusia

At the Community Cultural Grant Review in 200, VSA–Volusia was determined to be non-compliant with the CCG requirements relating to 501(c)3 status. The CCVC voted to allow VSA–Volusia to be eligible for current program funding with the understanding that the organization would apply for separate 501(c)3 status before applying again. Subsequent to that ruling, VSA–Volusia determined that such restructuring would make them ineligible for substantial funding from other sources. Ms. Barbara Wolfson, Executive Director of VSA–Volusia explained the hardship such a requirement would impose on their organization. Ms. Maddox reported County Legal Staff had been consulted and they advised that the CCVC has authority to “grandfather” eligibility to a non-compliant organization if ruling them in-eligible violates the intent and purpose of the grant. **MOTION** by Member Dahlen, 2nd by Member Wilson *“To grant to VSA–Volusia a special exception to the Community Cultural Grant requirement that they operate as a separate 501(c)3 organization in order to be eligible for funding under this grant. Such exception to remain in force until otherwise revoked by CVCV in separate vote”* Motion **passed unanimously.**

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Arts Map – Staff provided a brief presentation for a proposed format for re-issuing the *Arts Map*. Gary Libby, representing the Tourist Development Council (TDC), expressed the position that the Arts Map did not any require revision, it just needed to be updated. He stated that since the TDC was going to fund the project that they would handle the updating and re-printing on their own. The CCVC stated that they wanted to retain involvement in the project and would like to work with the TDC. Janet Kersey, from the Daytona Beach Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, who would be handling the project for the TDC, agreed to meet with County Staff to create a draft to be presented to both the TDC and CCVC. She said she would arrange a meeting within thirty days to get the joint project moving.

2. State of the Arts License Plate Promotion – Member Ludwig presented a proposal to involve all members of the CCVC to work with Cultural Organizations within their areas to get them involved in promoting the State of the Arts License plates. He agreed to Chair a sub-committee to work on this project.

3. Election of Officers for 2006 – Chair Sanders opened the floor for nominations for Chair for 2006. **MOTION**. Member Dahlen, 2nd Member Wilson, “*nominating Tippen Davidson for Chair* No other nominations were made.” **Nomination approved unanimously.**

Chair Sanders opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair for 2006.

MOTION. Member Sanders, 2nd Member Wilson, “*nominating Bob Dahlen for Vice Chair* No other nominations were made.” **Nomination approved unanimously.**

VI. VCCA REPORT AND/OR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

Gary Libby, having recently been appointed to the Florida Arts Council, reported on his first meeting. He stated that there was a strong likelihood of some windfall funding, particularly Cultural Facilities Grants available at the State level due to greater than anticipated revenues. He further went on to report that Volusia County Organizations are not applying for these grants in large numbers. He said the Council should encourage ECHO to match State funds.

VII. ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, Chair Sanders adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted- Mike Fincher, Cultural Coordinator and Recording Secretary