

NEVADA ARTS COUNCIL BOARD MEETING - teleconference

Thursday January 26, 2017

10:00 am

Nevada Arts Council
716 N Carson St, Suite A
Carson City, NV 89701

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| Present: | Board | Julia Arger, Chair Edward Estipona Joe O'Neill Gail Rappa Jerry Schefcik Annie Zucker Ryrie Valdez |
| | Staff | Susan Boskoff, Executive Director Cathleen Wyatt, Administrative Assistant Teresa Moiola, Grants Program Coordinator Shoshana Zeldner, Community Arts Development Program Coordinator |
| | Excused | Linda Ficklin, Administrative Services Officer Fran Morrow, Artist Services Program Coordinator |
| | Guest | Sarah Bradley, Senior Deputy Attorney General |

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting convened in open public session, via conference call, at 9:40 a.m. Julia Arger, chair of the Nevada Arts Council (NAC) Board, welcomed everyone, and asked for introductions. (*Attachment A: Public Meeting Notice/Agenda*).

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment in person or submitted via email.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NAC 50TH ANNIVERSARY VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION GRANT (For Possible Action)

Susan Boskoff, executive director, reported on the 50th Anniversary Visual Arts Commission Review Committee on behalf of Fran Morrow, Artist Services Program Coordinator, who was unavailable for the conference call. Following the procedure used by the Artist Services Program to select artists for the Legislative Exhibit Series, a review committee composed of Turkey Stremmel, Stremmel Gallery, Reno, and Bobbie Ann Howell, Nevada Humanities Program Coordinator, Las Vegas, was asked to identify several artists that could provide artwork for the recipients of the Nevada Arts Council's 50th Anniversary Award at the Awards Ceremony and Dinner, scheduled for March 9, 2017 at the Nevada Museum of Art. Three pieces of artwork would be presented to the Nevada State Senate, Nevada State Assembly and the Office of the Governor for the establishment of Nevada's state arts agency in 1967; the fourth would be placed into the NAC visual arts collection. The committee reviewed work samples of several artists, and recommended that Tuscarora artist Sidne Teske be approved as the recipient of the 50th Anniversary Visual Arts Commission grant of \$4,000. They both felt

strongly that Teske’s pastels, created on location, or “en plein air,” uniquely captures the soul of Nevada’s remarkable landscape in all seasons and best characterizes the intent of the award.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE NAC 50TH ANNIVERSARY VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMENDATION OF SIDNE TESKE. Moved by Ryrie Valdez; seconded by Gail Rappa. Passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR FY17 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (For Possible Action)

Boskoff requested that the NAC Board consider and approve an additional \$10,000 to award in FY17 Professional Development Grants (PDG); funding for the additional dollars would be from the agency’s rural outreach programming. She noted that the allocated \$60,000 for PDGs had been encumbered as 91 PDG applications had been submitted in support of grantee career advancement and enhancement through attendance at regional/national activities. Staff anticipates additional PDG applications from rural constituents through the end of the year to attend 50th Anniversary events, 2017 Arts @ the Heart Convening and other national conferences.

She referenced the policy that at the beginning of each fiscal year, the NAC Board approves an amount of funding for each of the noncompetitive rolling grant categories to be distributed throughout that year. If any NAC grant categories have unexpended dollars, due to returned grants, lack of applications, or incomplete final reporting, staff may request that the NAC Board approve the transfer of unexpended dollars to augment the original amount approved for one or several of the Rolling Grant categories.

MOTION: TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT FUNDING: Moved by Gail Rappa; seconded by Joe O’Neill. Passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was submitted in person or via email.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. Moved by Jerry Schefcik; seconded by Edward Estipona. Passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathleen Wyatt, Administrative Assistant III
Nevada Arts Council

List of Attachments on file with original minutes in NAC offices:

- Attachment A: Public Meeting Notice/Agenda