

**CHAPEL HILL PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING REPORT**  
**Wednesday, January 20, 2016**  
**5:30 pm – 7:00 pm**

**1. Call to Order/Introduction of Guests (Dan Cefalo, Chair)**

**Members Present:** Daniel Cefalo, Chair; Emily Kass, Vice Chair; Peter Bosman; Amanda Brown; Claire Drysdale; Jean Michel; Mary Norkus; Josh Rosenstein; Sally Stollmack; Laura Williams; Kat Wilson.

**Staff Present:** Linda Smith, Assistant Director Parks & Recreation; Jeff York (Liaison), Cultural Arts Administrator; Steve Wright, Public Art Coordinator

**2. Approve December 2015 Action Report**

The action report was unanimously approved as written.

**3. Herman Cooper Memorial Gift**

Bosman said Gift Cmt. will meet next Friday to discuss. Kass requested current location of sculpture be ascertained.

**4. Arts Plan Public Input Session**

Frank session confirmed for 2/16, a weekday evening. Library schedule is very crowded, no evening dates available, only weekend days – weekend morning desirable. Kass said weekend days would be good option, we should be careful not to over-promise, to be clear of who we are and what we do, not overpromise that anything is possible or that this is an initial brainstorming session. What is format for these sessions? How will we market these sessions? York said draft plan should be presented for public. What are CHPAC thoughts for 3<sup>rd</sup> location? Flyleaf books authors' room? Stollmack will inquire with Flyleaf for a late Feb. / early-March time, or Root Cellar as second option. Call sessions "conversations" rather than "public input session". What about on UNC campus – what is a good time to get UNC students? 3-4-ish on weekday afternoon is good for students. Or new Zog's restaurant. Exec. Cmt. will discuss these further.

**5. Retiring Member Recognition**

Wilson is moving out of Town limits but will remain in area and will keep chairing the Artist-in-Residence subcommittee.

**6. Artist in Schools Residency Program**

Wilson introduced concept for new program in partnership with Arts Center to have artists teach CHCCS elementary teachers a program the teachers could then hold at their schools. Current AiR touches 50-90 kids, whereas this could touch 4,000 kids. Arts Center will assist in finding artists to participate and an art instructor at Northside will serve as consultant to provide teachers' point of view. Vision is to hold this program twice per school year. Teacher training would not be held during the school day, maybe on a teacher workday or weekend, and session would count as professional development. ArtsCenter would be used to find the artists, ideally artists who are teaching artists that have worked in CHCCS before, rather than Public Arts putting out an open call to artists. Won't be any costs to teachers or students. Cefalo said choice is to do this method for two sessions in next school year, or do earlier method of placing one artist in one school as has been done for ten+ years. Planning and budgeting needs to occur now. Could also be interdisciplinary, involve other parts of curricula in addition to art classes. Kass said in future we could do multiple types of programs with a larger budget. Comprehensive evaluation of this pilot program will be important.

**7. Chair and Committee Reports and Updates**

Brown shared concerns about survey, both with electronic & paper surveys (a skip pattern occurs if respondent doesn't call themselves an artist, 2 questions assume all respondents have children). Wilson described current status of drama program at Phillips and vision for future program that would be district wide, involved 5<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> graders also, mentored by high school seniors. Background checks still being gathered. Cefalo requested a budget update and wondered if next school year project could continue at Phillips to work out all kinks prior to rolling program out district-wide.

**8. Staff Reports & Updates**

Wright described the Roberson Apartments sculpture situation.

**9. Other Announcements**

Drysdale requested volunteers for SHIMMER, and announced that she has art on display at ArtsCenter through February.

**10. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.