

**CITY OF DANA POINT
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes**

February 15, 2012
6:00pm- 8:23pm

City Council Chambers
33282 Golden Lantern
Dana Point, CA 92629

CALL TO ORDER – Chairwoman Schnell called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Vice-Chair Wickstrom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Chairwoman Karin Schnell and Vice-Chair Alan Wickstrom, Commissioner Nancy Jenkins, Commissioner Matthew Miller, Commissioner Judith Nowland

Staff Present: Kevin Evans (Director) and Monique Leon (Community Services Secretary)

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ITEM 1: Minutes of the Regular Arts and Culture Commission Meeting January 18, 2012.

ACTION: Motion made (Wickstrom) and seconded (Nowland) to approve the Minutes of the Regular Arts and Culture Commission Meeting January 18, 2012. Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Walter Stevens had a public comment and expressed that he would like more information on the Commission and what their plans were.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items on the Consent Calendar.

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D. OLD BUSINESS

ITEM 2: Doris Walker Tribute

Chairwoman Schnell opened this item with a request to have a staff report.

Kevin Evans (Director) explained that the Commission has moved forward in creating a tribute to Doris Walker. He explained that her sons, Brent and Blair Walker, have been contacted and are both interested in participating. He also explained that an ad-hoc committee has been put in place and members of the public will be chosen for this committee. This committee will be used as a form of advisory board for the Arts and Culture Commission in regard to Doris Walkers' Tribute.

Chairwoman Schnell thanks everyone who applied for being members of the Ad-Hoc Committee. She then lists the members of the Ad-Hoc Committee: Commissioner Jenkins, Chairwoman Schnell, Kevin Evans, Brent Walker, Blair Walker, Brad Gross, Judy Henderson, Liz Bamattre, Patty Short and Caroline Hopkins (alternate). She goes on to explain that this Committee will work on meeting to figure out the details of the Doris Walker Tribute. She states that she will contact the Ad-Hoc Committee members for a possible meeting time.

ACTION: Motion made (Jenkins) and seconded (Miller) to accept the Doris Walker Ad-Hoc Committee as: Commissioner Jenkins, Chairwoman Schnell, Kevin Evans (staff), Brent Walker, Blair Walker, Brad Gross, Judy Henderson, Liz Bamattre, Patti Short and Carolyn Hopkins (alternate). Motion Carried 4-1-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Wickstrom NAYS: Nowland ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

Commissioner Jenkins thanked everyone in the Community who applied to be on this Ad-Hoc Committee and read off the names of everyone who applied to be a part of the Committee.

ITEM 3: Artwork in the Foyer of the Council Chambers

Chairwoman Schnell recused herself from this item due to a connection with the Dana Point Photographic Art Club.

Vice-Chair Wickstrom recused himself from this item due to a connection with the Dana Point Photographic Art Club.

Commissioner Nowland asked if photos were also being chosen for the Community Center.

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Commissioner Jenkins suggests that the theme of the Festival of Whales is appropriate for the first group of photos to be displayed. She goes on to list her suggestions for the six photos from the Dana Point Photographic Art Club Book. They included page 68, page 70 with the dolphin regiment marching band, a car photo, page 72 'I love Dana Point', page 73 "Mayor fiddles around", page 74 bottom right corner, page 75 'pirate'.

Commissioner Nowland suggested page 71, the woodie car and other possible options that were not in the book itself.

Commissioner Miller liked the 5 selected plus the whale fluke photo on page 56.

Commissioner Nowland asks that the photo of the woodie car on page 71 be used as well.

ACTION: Motion made (Miller) and seconded (Jenkins) that the seven photos selected be displayed in the Foyer of the City Council Chambers. Motion Carried 3-0-2. (AYES: Jenkins, Miller, Nowland NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: Schnell, Wickstrom)

Commissioner Miller asked the question of how often to rotate through the photos on display.

Commissioner Jenkins suggested a two month rotation for the photos that are displayed.

Chairwoman Schnell asked about the process for choosing the various themes for the artwork to be displayed.

Commissioner Jenkins made some suggestions about the process of choosing the artwork and getting it put up for display as well as recognition of the artists.

Vice-Chair Wickstrom agrees that every other month is reasonable but we might find that it is too often or not enough. He also suggests bringing the selection of the art work back to the Commission instead of to an Ad-Hoc Committee.

Commissioner Miller suggested keeping the Ad-Hoc Committee. He suggested having the Commission choose the theme and the Ad-Hoc Committee would choose the art to be displayed. He also suggests voting on how often the art will be displayed at the next meeting discuss themes for the next year.

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ACTION: Motion made (Miller) and seconded (Nowland) that the art work in the Foyer of the Council Chambers be changed every two months.
Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

Kevin Evans (Director) clarified that for artwork to be displayed in the Community Center it is a little less formal than placing artwork in the Council Chambers and it can be done at any time.

ITEM 4: Arts and Culture Commission Public Forum

Chairwoman Schnell opened this item for a staff report.

Kevin Evans (Director) explained that this public forum was put in place so that the Commission could hear from the public what they are looking for in regards to arts and culture in Dana Point. The Commission is also looking for ideas to create a mission statement.

Chairwoman Schnell clarified that the meeting will be held on Saturday, March 31st at the Ocean Institute and it will be from 9:00am – 12:00pm.

Walter Stevens had a public comment and he stated that he wanted to be sure that diversity be considered at the public forum.

E. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business

F. STAFF REPORTS

Kevin Evans (Director) gave a brief update on the Festival of Whales Parade and other events that will be going on during the first two weekends in March.

G. ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Jenkins donated her Pat Plepler, from the Historical Society, award of \$500 to the Doris Walker Tribute.

Commissioner Miller suggested a community page on the website, with various groups that they want to work with. He also suggests an audience with Agency 51 to discuss and possibly enhance marketing campaigns.

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Commissioner Nowland attended the Jan 31st meeting of the Dana Point Photographic Arts Club and she stated that they are very willing to supply photos. She also mentioned that the South Orange County School of the Arts is having their Opera Night Fundraiser.

Vice-Chairman Wickstrom attended the Doheny village workshop and likes Councilmember Schoeffel's idea for an art center in that space.

Chairwoman Schnell shared information on "Art on the Fence" which is an Art program that places art on the fence at Strands Vista Park on April 14th and April 28th from 12-3pm. She also commented on the artwork program on the utility boxes in the City of San Clemente.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Schnell announced that the *next regular* meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission will be held on Wednesday, March 21, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon thereafter) in the City Council Chamber located at 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point, California.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.



Karin Schnell, Chairwoman
Arts and Culture Commission