MEETING MINUTES
for the
SIOUX FALLS VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION
Tuesday, June 21, 2011
9:00 a.m.

Carnegie Town Hall
235 W 10th Street
Sioux Falls SD 57104

(Staff Liaison: Russ Sorenson: 367-8888)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ceca Cooper; Ann Marie Davis; Lary Etten; Lyle Pudwill; Kris Carmody Reaves
MEMBERS ABSENT: Anita Kealey (Excused); Doug Moss (Excused);
OTHERS PRESENT: Micah Luke (Sioux Falls Arts Council); Lisa Myhre (Bronze Age Art Casting); Russ Sorenson
(VAC Staff Liaison, Planning Office)

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER & QUORUM DETERMINATION
The Sioux Falls Visual Arts Commission met at the Carnegie Town Hall. Chairperson, Lyle Pudwill, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

ITEM 2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
Chairperson, Lyle Pudwill, welcomed the Commissioners and guests.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA
Chairperson Lyle Pudwill asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing no changes, Chairperson Lyle Pudwill deemed the regular meeting agenda approved.

ITEM 4. REVIEW & ACTION on the May 17, 2011, Meeting Minutes.
Chairperson Lyle Pudwill requested a motion to approve the May 17, 2011 meeting minutes. Commissioner Ann Marie Davis made a motion to approve the May 17, 2011, meeting minutes. Commissioner Lary Etten seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. DISCUSSION on Visual Art Project and Placement Ideas for Sioux Falls Convention Center.
Russ Sorenson reported that since the May meeting, the subcommittee had not met on this matter. He reminded the Commissioners about them developing a TEAM strategy to help showcase the Sioux Falls Convention Center – Sioux Falls – its people, events, and beauty through the public display of various high quality art forms and media for visitors and citizens to enjoy.

Commissioners expressed that during the tour with Convention Center management representatives that several ideas had been suggested. The Commission indicated that they could provide general ideas, but
cautioned that specific art designs, illustrations or consultations would not be provided by them to the Convention Center management representatives. Commissioners expressed that Convention Center management representatives could pursue outside resources for specific art designs, illustrations consultation and procurement services. Russ Sorenson mentioned that he would communicate this back to the Convention Center representatives.

Upon further review and evaluation of their initial Sioux Falls Convention Center building tour ideas, the Commissioners respectfully suggest the following items be considered by the Convention Center management representatives:

- Pursue outside resources for specific art designs, illustrations consultation and procurement services;
- The visual art should be colorful and reflect Sioux Falls and surrounding area;
- Utilize and identify larger scale art projects and that can be available and utilized within large spaces of the convention center;
- The size and scale of individual visual art projects will need to be proportional to the available space and user areas at the convention center;
- Work with the school districts to hosting a bi-annual high school art show at the convention center;
- Strategically place and utilize multi-media projections against the white walls to incorporate color movement and the Sioux Falls community in a visual art form;
- Incorporate more colorful banners from the ceiling areas. This would bring added excitement and warmth into the facility;
- Establish a community partnership between community entities including: Sioux Falls Convention Center; Sioux Falls Arts Council; Visual Arts Center @ the Washington Pavilion; Visual Arts Museum; local universities and college art programs; and art galleries that can participates in a rotational display of art from local artists as well as from existing art collections and inventories from various other community entities.
- Frequent monitoring and maintenance of the selected visual art ensures high quality and longevity for future art enthusiasts.

**ITEM 6. PROJECT UPDATES & ACTIONS**

a) Bike Smart Project  [www.siouxfalls.org/bikesmart](http://www.siouxfalls.org/bikesmart)

Spring Blitz – Distributed brochures and posters to Commissioners at the June Meeting.

Commissioner Doug Moss updated the Commission about two potential locations for artistic bike racks. He mentioned the 8th & Railroad Center and Kilian Community College. In early spring, owners of the 8th & RR Center have expressed interest in artist, Jordan Erickson’s “Paper Clip” bike rack.


Russ Sorenson reported that since the May meeting, the subcommittee had not met on this matter. It was reported the subcommittee intends to begin meeting in mid-July.

General discussion ensued about a visual art maintenance program. Commissioners expressed the importance of getting qualified person(s) to conduct annual monitoring and maintenance for the visual art within our community. The Commissioners also expressed that an updated inventory of the visual art is critical to the success of such program.

Guest, Lisa Myhre (Bronze Age Art Casting), offered suggestions for consideration relative to maintenance. She emphasized that art placement is important with regards to: 1) micro climates, prevailing winds and sun exposure; and 2) high seasonal use road salts, de-icing chemicals and weed sprays. She also mentioned the importance of having art maintenance professional’s conduct needed services – involving monitoring, cleaning and/or repair on a regular basis. Commissioners expressed their appreciation for Lisa’s attendance at the meeting and comments. Commissioners recommended that she consider being e included as a subcommittee member. Ms. Myhre agreed.

c) Invariete Concordia Visual Art Wall – Update

Russ Sorenson reported that various city staffs are working cooperatively to get initiate necessary repairs done on the visual art wall. He indicated that such repairs should be completed by the VAC’s July meeting.
Sioux Falls Arts Council Updates - Micah Luke
Micah Luke reported the Arts Council is involved with assisting the Airport Authority in drafting a request for proposals to procure services for art placement associated with their remodeling project. He also mentioned the Sioux Falls Arts Council’s website should soon be up and running.

Commissioner Ann Davis left the meeting.

Website Updates – Completed

ITEM 8. OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business received or discussed by the Commission.

ITEM 9. PUBLIC INPUT
There was no further public input received.

ITEM 10 ANNOUNCEMENTS
NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, July 19, 2011, 9:00 a.m. @ Carnegie Town Hall

ITEM 11. ADJOURNMENT
With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

HANDOUTS – June 21, 2011 Meeting
- June 21, 2011 Agenda
- May 17, 2011 Meeting Minutes
- Handouts for Item 4.