MEETING MINUTES
for the
SIOUX FALLS VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION
Tuesday, August 16, 2011
9:00 a.m.

SF Arena Convention Center
Meeting Room #3
1211 North West Avenue
Sioux Falls SD  57104

(Staff Liaison:  Russ Sorenson:   367-8888)

MEMBERS PRESENT:  Lary Etten; Doug Moss; Lyle Pudwill; Kris Carmody Reaves
MEMBERS ABSENT:   Ceca Cooper (Excused); Anita Kealey (Excused); Ann Marie Davis (Excused)
OTHERS PRESENT:    Darwin Wolf  (Wolf Bronze); Kraig Pomrenke and Elizabeth Colbert (Sioux Falls Convention Center & Global Spectrum; Russ Sorenson (VAC Staff Liaison, Planning Office)

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER & QUORUM DETERMINATION
The Sioux Falls Visual Arts Commission met at the Sioux Falls Arena Convention Center Meeting Room #3. Chairperson, Lyle Pudwill, called the meeting to order at 9:15 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 July 19, 2011, Meeting Minutes.
Chairperson Lyle Pudwill requested a motion to approve the July 19, 2011, meeting minutes. Commissioner Doug Moss made a motion to approve the July 19, 2011, meeting minutes. Commissioner Lary Etten seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. REVIEW & ACTION on Visual Art Project and Placement Ideas for Sioux Falls Convention Center.
Chairperson, Lyle Pudwill, commented that placement of high quality visual art within our public buildings and spaces offers a tremendous enhancement to the user experience.

Commissioners presented their suggestions list to Convention Center management representatives, Kraig Pomrenke and Elizabeth Colbert.
The following suggestions were presented to 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.

Commissioner Ann Marie Davis mentioned that school district space has been limited to hosing a bi-annual high school art show. Exploring the possibilities of having a regional high school art show at the convention center would be exciting and good for enhancing student artist opportunities and experiences.

Commissioner Lary Etten commented that utilizing available technologies to enhance and encourage the use of more colors, rhythm sequences and movements within the building would be tremendous.

Commissioner Lyle Pudwill encouraged more cohesion of art, materials and scale but yet differentiate the art based upon the interior locations and settings. He mention to continue exploring the expansion of SculptureWalk onto the Arena Convention Center grounds. Live plants within the corridors would be welcomed.

ITEM 6. PROJECT UPDATES & ACTIONS

a) Bike Smart Project  www.siouxfalls.org/bikesmart
Commissioner Doug Moss updated the Commission about two potential locations for artistic bike racks. He mentioned the 8th & Railroad Center and Kilian Community College. Doug mentioned he would contact Kilian Community College about their involvement in the project.

In early spring, owners of the 8th & RR Center have expressed interest in artist, Jordan Erickson’s “Paper Clip” bike rack. Russ Sorenson, Staff Liaison, mentioned that he has contacted the artist and inquired about his commitment to the BIKE SMART Program.

*Staff Note: Email communication dated July 28, 2011, was sent to the artist and several phone call messages were left for the artist to return.*

Commissioner Kris Carmody Reaves left the meeting.

Russ Sorenson reported the subcommittee met on July 25, 2011. The subcommittee discussed the project’s purpose and efficiencies to provide a data base of information. A detailed data base will be established along with photographs of each artwork.
c) Invariete Concordia Visual Art Wall – Update
Russ Sorenson reported the visual art wall has been successfully repaired as a result of a motor vehicle crashing into the southern portion of the wall. He invited the Commissioners to examine the repair work and let him know soon if there are any concerns.

d) Mid-Year Review of VAC’s 2011 Work Program.
Russ Sorenson requested the Commissioners to review the 2011 Work Program and to be thinking of 2012 work items to discuss at future meetings.

e) Sioux Falls Arts Council Updates - Nan Baker, Micah Luke
Sioux Falls Arts Council had no representatives attend this meeting.

f) Website Updates – Completed

ITEM 7. OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business received or discussed by the Commission.

ITEM 8. PUBLIC INPUT
There was no further public input received.

ITEM 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS
NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, September 20, 2011, 9:00 a.m., Carnegie Town Hall, 235 W 10th Street Sioux Falls SD.

ITEM 11. ADJOURNMENT
With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Global Spectrum representatives, Kraig Pomrenke and Elizabeth Colbert then provided the Commissioners with an informative tour of the Sioux Falls Convention Center to showcase the framed art project. The tour lasted about 20 minutes.

HANDOUTS – August 16, 2011 Meeting
- August 16, 2011 Agenda
- July 19, 2011 Meeting Minutes
- Item 5 – list of Visual Art Project and Placement Ideas for Sioux Falls Convention Center