

The Arts Council, Inc. (d.b.a. MartinArts)

Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 23, 2024 @ 5:30 PM

Location: Court House Cultural Center Gallery

Board Members: Andrew Hammond, Suzy Hutcheson, Chandler Josie, Leslie Judd, Nerissa Okiye, Nicki van Vonno

Ex-Officio Members: Laura Giobbi, Nancy Johnson, Stacey Hetherington, Ed Ciampi, Amy Pritchett

- 1) Welcome/Attendance Nicki van Vonno, Chair
- 2) Approve Minutes from October 2024 (*enc. p 2*)
- 3) New Business Staff
 - a) Presentation of Quarterly Metrics Report Kailene Chua
 - b) Harvesting the Arts
- 4) Financial Report Andrew Hammond
- 5) Committee & Partner Reports Jennifer Hearn
 - a) Court House Cultural Center Gallery Nerissa Okiye
 - b) Tourist Development Council Updates Nancy Turrell
 - c) Art in Public Places
- 6) Executive Director's & Staff Updates Nancy Turrell
 - a) Foundation News & Updates
 - i) ArtsFest, February 8 & 9
 - ii) Rhapsody in Blue Gala, March 28
 - iii) Stuart High School Update
 - iv) Cultural Excursion, June 4-9, Charleston SC
- 7) Chairman's Comments & Updates
- 8) Comments from the Public
- 9) Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

Board Meetings: April 24, 2025 | July 24, 2025 | October 23, 2025

Artist Talk | "Creating Without Limits: Discovering Your Artistic Freedom" with Ted Matz
Saturday, February 15 at 11AM

"The Real Deal" Opening Reception: Friday, March 14 | 5:30-7PM

Arts Talks | "The Art of Cultivation" Featuring Collectors Diane & Karl of Kai Kai Farms

Sunset Concert at the Gallery: Tuesday, February 11 | March 11 | April 8 @ 5:30PM

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 24, 2024

Court House Cultural Center

Present

Andrew Hammond
Chandler Josie
Leslie Judd
Nerissa Okiye
Nicki van Vonno

Absent

Laura Giobbi
Suzy Hutcheson
Nancy Johnson
Doug Smith
Amy Pritchett

Staff

Kailene Chua
Jennifer Hearn
Tori Hill
Stephanie Schubert
Nancy Turrell

- 1) Welcome/Attendance – Nicki van Vonno called the meeting to order at 5:39PM. A quorum was established. Nerissa Okiye motioned to approve the previous meeting's minutes and Chandler Josie seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2) New Business & Presentations
 - a. Nancy Turrell welcomed the new board members Andrew Hammond and Leslie Judd. Nancy also explained the role of ex-officio directors. Nicki van Vonno explained the Sunshine Law.
 - b. Nancy Turrell presented the slate of new Council board officers as: Nicki van Vonno, Chair, Nerissa Okiye, Vice Chair & Secretary, Andrew Hammond, Treasurer. Chandler Josie motioned to approve the slate and Leslie Judd seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Nerissa Okiye motioned to approve selecting the Chair and Treasurer as signers for the Council's financials, and Chandler Josie seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3) Financial Report
 - a. Andrew Hammond reported on the reviewed combined financial statements. Nerissa Okiye motioned to approve the statements and Andrew Hammond seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Nerissa Okiye motioned to approve the proposed budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 and Nicki van Vonno seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4) Committee Reports
 - a. Jennifer Hearn reported that the Court House Cultural Center galleries will exhibit a black and white showcase November through December, and the All Florida Juried Art Show in January.
- 5) Executive Director's & Staff Updates
 - a. Nancy Turrell reported that the St. Lucie Cultural Alliance remains committed to a partnership in co-producing the regional magazine, which will be released in December. Nancy also delivered the Quarterly Metrics Report.
- 6) Chairman's Comments & Updates – N/A
- 7) Comments from the Public – N/A
- 8) Adjourn – Chandler Josie motioned to adjourn the meeting and Nicki van Vonno seconded. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:34PM.