

# Arts, Culture & Library Advisory Committee

## Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2018  
5:30 p.m.

SeaTac City Hall  
Riverton Room

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Arts, Culture & Library Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Bruce Bryant, Pete Daigle, Taryn Hill, Tani Rae Standridge, Jim Todd

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:** Brian Tomisser, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager

**ALSO PRESENT:** Lawrence Ellis, Parks, Community Programs and Services Director; Peter Kwon, City Councilmember; Angelina Benedetti, Regional Manager King County Library Services

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes dated January 10, 2018 were approved as amended.

**COUNCIL REPORT:** Brian Tomisser shared that the City Council has requested that each City Committee give a written memo to serve as their annual report. This would be in lieu of making an oral presentation to the Council. This memo was created by Brian and will be read at an upcoming City Council meeting. The date has not yet been determined. A copy of the memo was distributed to the Committee.

**PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOL:** Jim Todd initiated a conversation regarding procedures and protocol issues. As a newer Committee, there are still questions as how to proceed properly. Among questions raised were the methodology to make recommendations to the City Council. It was pointed out that the Committee has twice made a recommendation to the Mayor. Brian Tomisser pointed out that he was the liaison from the City and that he could be the conduit for the Committee to make recommendation when it was needed. Additionally the topic of potential funding sources and the role of the Committee was discussed. Brian mentioned that if the Committee wanted to approach any large donor, such as Alaska Airlines for example, that we would have to coordinate that with the City. This is due to not wanting multiple factions from the City of SeaTac making requests to the same organization with no coordination.

**NEW BUSINESS:** During the Open Forum discussion, Pete Daigle brought to the Committee's attention the possible Landmark on the Sound project in Des Moines. It was discussed that it was good for the Committee to be aware of these types of projects.

Bruce Bryant shared a program called Pie and Whiskey. This program is based on a book and it was designed to have authors come and share their books while paid guests get Pie and Whiskey. The Committee discussed the logistics of this happening. Brian stated that for alcohol to be involved, it was possible, but would require city approval. Most likely at the City Council level. The Committee was very interested in hosting an event like this and Bruce agreed to do some research and present at the March meeting.

Jim Todd mentioned that community support will be valuable for specific projects going forward. It was agreed that Brian will create a database that can be used for possible groups that may be interested in various projects. Committee members are encouraged to email contacts to Brian or to bring to future meetings. Brian also will create a separate database that can be used to identify possible funding source and sponsors.

Councilmember Peter Kwon wanted the Committee to be aware that 4Culture was making changes and that there was a move that would make the King County Council more involved in how money is distributed and day-to-day operations. Specifically, this proposal would give the King County Council power to hire/fire the 4Culture Executive Director, appoint board members and approve or reject their budget. He also wanted the Committee to be aware that the City Council approved 4.5 million dollars on February 13, 2018 to complete the Valley Ridge Sports Complex. This may be a venue for future events.

The Committee discussed possible guest presenters. Brian stated that Una McAlinden was scheduled for our March meeting to discuss the steps and process of creating a Master Plan. He also mentioned Barbara McMichael from SoCo Culture and a representative from 4Culture as possible presenters. Jim mentioned Kathryn, the Executive from Seattle Soundside, who could bring a business perspective. The Committee then discussed creating a panel of members from other local similar committees to come, answer questions, and inform on how their processes work. Brian will work on assembling this panel. Specific cities that were mentioned to approach include Auburn, Burien, Tukwila and Edmonds.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Brian informed the Committee that the two vacant positions were going to remain open until at least February 28, 2018 at the Mayor's direction. At that time he will decide whether to move forward with the process or wait for additional applicants.

Upcoming events including the City Hall Open House on February 27<sup>th</sup> and the SeaTac Community Center 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party on March 10<sup>th</sup> were highlighted for the Committee.

### **LIBRARY REPORT**

Angelina Benedetti shared upcoming Library programs with the Committee. This included the possibility of bringing the Library2Go vehicle to more of our special events.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.