MINUTES JANUARY 19, 2023

The Walker Art Committee met on Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. in the art storeroom of the Garnett Public Library with the following present: Wanda Taylor, Denise Scheibmeir, Nancy Foltz, Marcia Mader and Joyce Martin. Absent: Jenelle Klehammer and Tami Hiestand.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Nancy, seconded by Marcia to approve the minutes of October, 2022 as read. The motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marcia presented the November and December, 2022 Treasurer's Report. Beginning and ending balance for November, 2022 was \$2,600.38. There was no revenue or expenditures. Beginning balance for December, 2022 was \$2,600.38. Revenue was \$120 for the Christmas raffle basket. Ending balance was \$2,720.38. Winner of the raffle was J. D. Carr.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Considerable discussion was held about the on line art auction. It was agreed that we needed to study how this would work and perhaps enlist the help of the Notel Group to see if they could help us or even sell some things for us in their Topeka Gallery. A motion was made by Denise, seconded by Marcia authorizing Joyce to contact the Notel Group to discuss this project. The motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion was held about the At The Walker Event that was cancelled at the end of 2022. Everyone agreed that this project would take a great deal of preplanning and preparation and that our committee was not close to being ready to apply for grant monies from the City this year. A motion was made by Wanda, seconded by Denise not to apply for grant monies in 2023 and to continue to see what needs to be done to assure that we will have a successful event if it is decided to proceed at a later date. The motion was unanimously approved.

We agreed that very few people know about the Walker Art Collection which poses a concern that our projects/events might not draw a large group of people. Nancy does our Facebook page and she said that we have very few followers. Ways to draw more attention to the collection were discussed. Joyce will talk with Susan Wettstein to see what state department to contact to bring bus tours to town that would be interested in viewing the galleries and the library.

OLD BUSINESS

Paula Scott, representing Growing Garnett Community Health & Soul gave us information about this project. Sara Lightner, Senior Director for Community Heart & Soul in Shelburne, Vermont will discuss the next steps for Garnett's project at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, January 27 at the Garnett Public Library. She encouraged this committee to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

Wanda reported that high school counselor Janay Blome has asked if we will present our scholarship for a 2023 graduate. Discussion was held on our lack of funds. A motion was made by Denise, seconded by Nancy not to offer a scholarship in 2023. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Nancy, seconded by Denise to reappoint Marcia to another three (3) year term on the Walker Art Committee with term ending December 31, 2025. The motion was unanimously approved.

Denise was reappointed by the City Commission for another three (3) year term on the Walker Art Committee with term ending December 31, 2025.

GALLERY DISPLAYS

Displays for March through June, 2023 were reviewed.

There being no further business to discuss, Wanda adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Joyce E. Martin, Recording Secretary

Members stayed after the meeting to remove the Christmas nativities and art. Some of the items donated by Rick and Candy Hewes were placed in the display cases. Their donated art will be hung in the next few days.