

MINUTES
MAY 20, 2021

The Walker Art Committee met on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the art storeroom of the Garnett Public Library with the following present: Wanda Taylor, Jenelle Klehammer, Joyce Martin, Nancy Foltz, Tami Hiestand, Denise Scheibmeir and Marcia Mader.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Nancy, seconded by Jenelle to approve the minutes of April 15, 2021 as written. The motion was unanimously approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Wanda read a letter from Janay Blome, Counselor at Anderson County High School, thanking this committee for the scholarship given to Lily Gruver. Total local scholarships for the graduating class of 2021 are \$92,500; total scholarships earned by this class is \$1,250,500.

Wanda read a letter from Susan Wettstein, Community Development/Tourism Director, asking if the Walker Art Committee wanted to participate in the 2022 Kansas Visitor's Guide. A motion was made by Wanda, seconded by Jenelle to spend \$80 for our listing. The motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marcia reported a beginning balance as of May 1, 2021 of \$4,397.01. Revenues include a \$30 donation from a docent tour group and \$4 for Christmas lights; expenditures were \$21.97 for the mural canvas and \$50 for our square fair booth. Ending balance for May is \$4,359.04. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Jenelle thanked everyone who helped with the mural project at the recent BPW Square Fair. Jenelle thought she would separate the mural into five pieces but decided to leave it in one piece for the time being. Denise suggested that some guidelines be developed before next year's event such as not allowing people to paint over someone else's picture or saying and perhaps eliminating political sayings. It was also suggested that the paint be put in small cups, use smaller brushes, don't need as much space for the booth and perhaps be located closer to the food court. Those who helped said it was a very good project and felt it was enjoyed by the participants.

The donation of the whale sculpture done by Christian Reese Lassen and donated by Mark and Elaine Corder of Olathe was discussed. Denise will view Mr. Lassen's website to see if a value of the sculpture can be determined in order to include the piece on our insurance. The Corders donated the sculpture in the name of Lorna Belle Ecclefield Corder. The Corder's also donated a painting that showed the artist name as McElroy. No information can be found about this artist therefore the painting will not be listed on our insurance.

OLD BUSINESS

Jenelle said that the Senior Reception scheduled for May 23rd will be moved to another date because of so many graduation ceremonies. The date of June 5th from 2-4 p.m. was chosen. This will coincide with a "Love What's Local Event" that is scheduled for this date. We will meet at 1:30 to prepare the refreshment table. Members were asked to bring a dozen cookies. Graduating Seniors from Anderson County High School, their parents, family and friends will be invited. Marcia will prepare an article for the newspaper.

Marcia continues to look for tickets to the Van Gogh exhibit. It is not known where the exhibit will be held. Marcia will report at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Wanda asked Joyce to explain what she and her husband had been working on as far as preparing lists of the art pieces that have been placed in respective bins. Joyce said that all paintings of a specific artist are now in individual bins; a bin has been designated for art to be sold and another bin designated for art that is not on the insurance policy because of inadequate information on the artist and a monetary value for insurance coverage.

Joyce asked that the board look at three pieces of art that need to be repaired. One with a broken glass will not be repaired; attempts will be made to repair the other two.

GALLERY DISPLAYS

Jenelle discussed the following gallery displays: Anne Marie Strobel does not have enough inventory to do a display by herself and will try to find someone else to display photography with her for the months of July and August. Jenelle and family will do September and October; display the newly gifted whale sculpture with some that Wanda has along with art from the Garnett Community Art Collection in November; December will be the Christmas nativities and art. January – April, 2022 will remain the same. Jenelle is hoping to have an exhibit of sculptures done by John Kudlacek in September/October 2022.

Wanda adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Joyce E. Martin, Recording Secretary