

MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2018

The Walker Art Committee met on Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at the art storeroom of the Garnett Public Library with the following present: Wanda Taylor, Marcia Mader, Candy Hewes, Jenny Schooler and Joyce Martin. Absent: Denise Schreibmeier and Jenelle Klehammer. Tami Hiestand attended the meeting for a short time.

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A motion was made by Candy, seconded by Wanda to approve the minutes of August 16, 2018. Motion unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jenny gave the Treasurer's Report as follows: No revenues; expenditures of \$500 to Katelyn Philips (scholarship recipient) and \$18.17 to Wanda Taylor for a tool kit. Ending balance as of August 31, 2018 is \$5,424.63. A motion was made by Wanda, seconded by Candy to approve the treasurer's report as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS: Jenny read an e-mail from City Commissioner Brigette Brecheisen-Huss requesting this committee's consideration to have our meetings recorded live to be shown on Facebook or in audio. Jenny explained that a citizen reached out to the city commission requesting this so the public can be well informed and Commissioner Huss saw some value in the request. Discussion followed with a motion made by Wanda, seconded by Marcia that we decline this request. Denise Schreibmeier had reported to Wanda that she would vote not to do this. Seven (7) members voted in favor of the motion and Wanda declared the motion carried unanimously. Reasons for voting against the request are as follows: meetings are open to the public; committee agendas and minutes are published on the city's website; people can indicate their interest to serve on any city board; some or all of our meeting time is spent moving around the storeroom cataloging the collection or hanging art in the West Wing Gallery; no one on the committee is willing to take responsibility to film or record the meetings. Jenny will report this decision to the city commission.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Candy reported that Joyce and Wanda have been cataloging and preparing the necessary paperwork on the pieces of art donated by Rick Hewes. Candy continues to search the internet for price information on the R. C. Gorman paintings.

Candy and Rick will be donating two (2) Alabaster pieces that were purchased at a gallery in Old Town which is in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Each piece is valued at \$1,700. One is called "Geronimo" and the other "Wind Woman". In addition, a turquoise necklace, valued at \$3,000, will be donated and kept in the safe recently purchased by the committee. Candy also has some Indian pots that she plans to donate. A bronze piece done by Mary Spurgeon and called "Cheyenne Courtship" will also be donated. The value is \$10,000. Other items include a

reproduction print of Michaelangelo's "Creation of Adam"; an original oil on canvas by Cusco titled "Our Lady of Guadalupe" and a acrylic reproduction of Van Gogh's "Café de nuit".

The matter of moving the alabaster and bronze pieces from Candy's home to the art storeroom was discussed as they are very heavy. Jenny will ask some of the city employees to do this for us. We feel this is an appropriate request as we are a city advisory committee.

A motion was made by Wanda, seconded by Marcia to gratefully accept all of the artwork and sculptures as previously mentioned. The motion was unanimously approved.

Candy has a list of the artists from western Kansas that will be contacted about displaying their art in the West Wing Gallery sometime after the first of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

No report was given about Angela Weldin's display. The sports pictures done by Rick Moffett are hanging in the West Wing Gallery along with pictures of Anderson County High School sports teams, cheerleaders and band. These were loaned by Rocker's Photography. It was agreed to leave this display in place through November. Larry Katzer and Joyce will be placing KU items in the display case.

Wanda said she believes that two (2) of the charcoal drawings by John Skeaping hanging in the Walker Art Gallery are labeled incorrectly. Joyce has sent pictures to Robert Cugno asking him about this. Candy said that if the artist named them as recorded, only he can rename them. Wanda said she understood but wanted a clarification, if possible, and also wanted this noted in the minutes. One painting says cranes and pelicans, however they appear to be storks and the other says gnu and they appear to be brahma bulls.

Joyce reported that she took the Irma Velthoen painting to Hobby Lobby to be reframed and new glass installed. This painting was done on a piece of velvet cloth and was admired by the people at the store because of the fabric material that was used. This painting was found at an estate sale by Jenny Schooler. Mrs. Velthoen was a local artist.

Wanda said that she and Joyce had spent several days going through the pieces in the Garnett Art Collection making sure they were properly cataloged. Joyce is updating the list of the collection.

NEW BUSINESS

Marcia said that the Friends of the Library Holiday Home Tour will be held on December 2nd and asked if the committee would be willing to place nativity scenes and Christmas art in the West Wing Gallery as was done last year. Everyone agreed to do this.

Jenny Schooler said that her daughter-in-law Danielle Schooler, who is the art teacher at Lola Middle School, has photographs taken of Yosemite Park that she would like to display in the West Wing Gallery. A motion was made by Joyce, seconded by Candy to ask Danielle to

prepare a display that will be hung in the West Wing Gallery sometime after the first of the year. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Marcia, seconded by Jenny to reappoint Tami Hiestand for another three (3) year term on the Walker Art Committee. The motion was unanimously approved. Tami has agreed to accept another term.

Wanda adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m. The next meeting will be October 18, 2018.

Joyce Martin, Recording Secretary