

**ART CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
February 21, 2019**

A meeting of the ART CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES was held at 12:00 p.m., Sioux City Art Center, Gleeson Conference Room, 225 Nebraska Street, Sioux City, IA 51101.

BOARD PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT	OTHERS
Gail Ament	Al Harris-Fernandez, director	
Steve Kammerer	Todd Behrens, curator	
Peggy La	Kjersten Welch, recording sec'y	
Terri McGaffin		
Michael McTaggart, chair		
Nan Wilson		
BOARD ABSENT		
Robert Gillespie		

1. CALL OF THE ROLL

Meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m. with chair Michael McTaggart, Steve Kammerer, Peggy La and Nan Wilson in attendance. Steve Kammerer and Peggy La were welcomed as new board members.

2. Reading of Minutes of December 12, 2018. Steve Kammerer made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Nan Wilson; all voting aye.

(Gail Ament entered the meeting at 12:02 p.m.)

3. Financial Reports – Art Center director Al Harris-Fernandez reported that 67 percent of the current fiscal year has lapsed, while 48 percent of the Art Center and 14 percent of the Gilchrist Learning Center budget have been expended. The expenses over \$250 report was reviewed.

Gail Ament made a motion to accept the financial reports, seconded by Steve Kammerer; all voting aye.

4. Building and Properties Report – Sculpt Park, located in the greenspace between the Art Center’s Gilchrist Learning and Pierce Street, was dedicated during a press conference February 15. Plans for parking lot striping and crosswalk painting will take place this spring.

Renovation has begun in the Art Center with demolition taking place in areas on the first and second floors. Since the Junior League Hands On! Gallery has been closed during this time, a few of the stations have been moved to the atrium for public access.

(Terri McGaffin entered the meeting at 12:05 p.m.)

5. Personnel and Policies Report – Mr. Harris-Fernandez introduced new development assistant Summer Amman to the board members. The development assistant position is paid by the Art Center Association of Sioux City and reports to the Art Center director.

The exhibitions/collections coordinator has been assigned a partial supervisory role of the custodial staff.

Mr. Harris-Fernandez presented a proposed update to the Art Center rental policy to include the Gilchrist Learning Center:

Gilchrist Learning Center (rental highly restricted due to Art Center demands on these spaces)

- Learning Center Lobby and Media Room, \$100 first hour (includes room set-up); \$50/hour thereafter
- Learning Center Classrooms, \$100 first hour (includes room set-up); \$50/hour thereafter
- No alcohol will be allowed in the Gilchrist Learning Center.

Terri McGaffin made a motion to approve the rental policy to include the Gilchrist Learning Center rates as proposed, seconded by Gail Ament; all voting aye.

6. Attendance Report – The attendance report was reviewed. Construction has been affecting visitation to the Art Center.

7. Discussion of Agenda Items for Next Meeting – The Art Center director's annual evaluation will be included on the agenda for the April 18, 2019, meeting.

8. Other Business – The Brunner Art Museum, Iowa State University, has requested the loan of four works from the Art Center's permanent collection. These works would be included in the exhibition *Artists in Iowa: The First Century*, scheduled for September 19 – December 20, 2019. The items requested for loan are:

Criss Glassel, *Ironing*, 1938, lithograph 995.17

Gus Nelson, *The Kingsnorth House*, 1929, oil on canvas 985.14

Ary Stillman, *L'Homme au Chapeau Rouge (Portrait of Carl Gus Nelson)*, 1927, oil on canvas, 938.12

Bob White, *Return from Work*, 1937, egg tempera on board, 938.07.02

ISU will cover transportation of the artwork and the insurance.

Gail Ament made a motion to approve the loan of the listed work to the Brunner Art Museum, Iowa State University for its exhibition, seconded by Nan Wilson; all voting aye.

The ARTcetera fundraiser is scheduled for March 2 at the Art Center.

There will be increased advertising to promote spring art classes. Spring class offerings are up 33 percent and additional nights have been scheduled for classes. The Drive-by Gallery is a project to feature work by local artists and attract attention of passing motorists and pedestrians to the Learning Center.

Jerry Stroup, a longtime docent, volunteer and Art Center Association board member, passed away in February 2018. He left a gift from his estate to the Association's endowment to support an artist-in-residence program.

The election of a vice chair was held. Nan Wilson nominated Terri McGaffin, seconded by Steve Kammerer, all voting aye.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m. on a motion by Terri McGaffin, seconded by Steve Kammerer; all voting aye.

Respectfully submitted:
Kjersten Welch, Recording Secretary