Oklahoma Visual Arts Coalition  
Board Meeting Minutes  
December 14, 2019

John Marshall, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM. Members present were Saiyida Gardezi, Drew Knox, Susie Agee, Bob Curtis, Barbara Gabel, Susan Green, Kirsten Olds, John Marshall, Doug Sorocco, Krystle Brewer, Alexa Goetzinger, Hayley Olson, Audrey Gleason and Diane Salamon. Call-in members were Kyle Larson, Chris Winland, and Laura Massenat. Danielle Ezell, Metisse Consultant, was also present.

Barbara moved that we accept the Consent Agenda. Bob seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Saiyida presented the treasurer’s report. The finalized revenue and expenses for 12 x 12 fell short by 40%, mainly due to lack of sponsorships. However, for the year we are $112,000 ahead due to $50,000 from Warhol Foundation and several private donations. The audit draft is in process. It was determined we need to start earlier for 12 x 12 sponsorships. Drew moved to approve the treasurer’s report, Barbara seconded, motion passed.

John suggested we make a change to the make-up of our Executive Committee to include the past president. Doug mentioned we need to vote both to waive notice of the vote and to vote for the change. Those not present will need to vote both on the waive to notice and the change. If anyone votes no on waiving notice, the vote for the change will be null. Kirsten moved to waive the notice; Susan seconded, motion passed. Kirsten moved we accept the motion that we change the bylaws to add the past-president to the executive committee. Saiyida seconded the motion and it passed. John will contact board members not present to waive the notice and to vote on the amendment.

Doug suggested the Leadership Committee become the Governance Committee, which will oversee board recruitment, board training, and set up board meeting agendas. He said this is necessary for best practices. Currently the Leadership Committee is the Executive Committee plus the past president. This is a policy change and is not in our bylaws. Susan moved we accept the motion, Barbara seconded and the motion passed.

Krystle presented a request from Robbie Kienzle that we handle a $1,000 donation that she cannot accept without our assistance. Drew moved we accept, Kirsten seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Doug presented a pop-up exhibition idea utilizing 21C undeveloped spaces for OVAC members. The board is very receptive to the idea and Doug will pursue more information for us.
John presented his Vision 2020 information. The basic idea is to approach Oklahoma Corporations for a $10,000 donation to help conclude the 30th anniversary fundraising efforts. We need approximately $80,000 more to reach the campaign goal. More information is available in his handout.

John also reminded the board that we need to pay our membership obligation of $250 by the end of December. He will be e-mailing reminders.

Susan discussed the need to refine our mission/core value statement. She would like to see the core values more succinctly defined. The revised statement that was determined in the meeting is as follows: “The arts provide us a platform for better understanding of ourselves, our histories and our communities.” Susan will continue to work on this, and the input of the board is important. Danielle reiterated that the mission/core value statements will be our guides to growth in the future.

John suggested we keep a running tab on what objectives we have accomplished in our strategic planning. Danielle mentioned it is important for a staff member be on each committee in order to keep programs and operations in-line and moving forward. She stated that we need a hierarchy of staff member/ chairperson/committee.

Kirsten moved we adjourn, Susan seconded. Meeting adjourned at approximately 1 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Salamon, Secretary