

Regular Meeting of the Arts Commission
Wednesday, January 8, 2014-1:00-2:30 pm
Board of Supervisors Conference Room, Lobby floor, Hall of Justice
400 County Center, Redwood City, CA 94063

1. **Roll Call**, 1:00pm

Commissioners present: Donald Mulliken, Sherrill Swan, Robin Rodricks,
Karen Chew

County Staff: Peggy Jensen, Juda Tolmasoff

Commissioner Staff: Teresa Silvestri

2. **Agenda Amendments**: None

3. **Oral Communications**: None

4. **Consideration of Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 11, 2013**

Minutes will be corrected to show Mulliken's request for private school contact was not successful. Motion to approve by Mulliken, seconded by Swan. Passed 4-0.

5. **Reports**

A. Curator's Report: County Gallery Curator Teresa Silvestri reported new Caldwell show, Patterns, Textures, Colors and Community photography show. Ruth Water's exhibit in Rotunda to be installed on Friday. Nancy Woods who recently showed works in the Rotunda, sold 5 pieces. The call for entry was recently completed for the Women's View show and Silvestri is looking for a juror. There is a new \$10 fee per entry with a maximum of 2 entries per artist. There will be no reception; awards will be presented at a Board of Supervisor's meeting.

B. Grants & Workshop Program Manager's Report: (By Rodricks): Mallouh is reviewing letters of intent for grants. Fourteen letters of intent have been received; 5 of these are from last year recipients. Eleven attendees of the grant workshop have submitted letters of intent. All letters have been accepted; March 21 is full proposal deadline. Checks for Mini education grants totaling \$7100 (71 grants) will be sent to the San Mateo County Office of Education before January 17.

6. **Staff and Commission Reports**

A. Staff Reports: Sr. Legislative Aide Juda Tolmasoff stated that the Board of Supervisor's Thank You reception for Board and Commission members is January 23 at the History Museum. Two checks have been received, one from the Hewlett Foundation (\$22,000); and, one for the state sponsored Summer School for the Arts Program reception (\$350). Peggy Jensen said she will present an accounting of Commission revenues and expenses at the next meeting. Ms. Tolmasoff stated that the District 5 Commission

seat has not been filled yet; Commissioner Mulliken to provide her candidate names. Jensen will check on what approvals are needed for two Commissioners per District and currently how many Commissioners make a quorum. Jensen requested that Ms. Silvestri and Ms. Mallouh develop a plan for the display of school grant recipients' art work before the next meeting. Jensen discussed potential for art work at the new North Fair Oaks Health Center.

B. Commissioner Reports: none.

7. Discussion Items

A. Grant reporting requirements of Hewlett Foundation: Peggy Jensen [staff] will send the Hewlett Foundation's reporting requirements to Grants Program Manager Esther Mallouh for her review and follow-up.

B. Review/ comment on promotion handout: Tabled.

C. Proposal to Board of Supervisors for Measure A Funds.

i. Public Art: Commissioner Swan toured the Youth Services Center (YSC) and she and the Administrators identified a need for a mural in the Visitors Room. Commissioner Swan will follow-up with YSC administrators and contact Precitas Eyes for a proposal. Also Peggy Jensen suggested that YSC would qualify for mini grants of \$100-\$200 for each residential pod. Jensen informed the Commission of a North Fair Oaks Community Strategic Plan and the need for public art. Jensen to provide Swan a copy of the plan. Commissioners Swan and Chew to form a subcommittee to work with community representatives. They will attend the North Fair Oaks Community Advisory Committee meeting on January 23.

ii. Arts Resource Website: Commissioner Rodricks discussed the development of a web site and whether to use the website of an outside vendor or to independently develop a site. She reported on her research related to other California county's activities. Commissioner Rodricks will contact Artsopolis to identify why the hits were so low when the Commission previously used this vendor. The County website that is being developed will include Arts Commission content.

iii. Grants Program Expansion: Commissioner Rodricks addressed increased funding opportunities.

8. Adjournment at 2:30pm.