



Cultural, Library and Recreational Services

Lincoln Center

City of Fort Collins

CULTURAL RESOURCES BOARD MINUTES

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, January 25, 2006

3:00 p.m..

Lincoln Center, 417 W. Magnolia St. Fort Collins, CO 80521

Council Liaison: Karen Weitkumat Staff Liaison: Jill Stilwell

Chairperson: Patrick Moran Phone: 207-9888 (h)

Vice-Chair: Ann Wilmsen

A regular meeting of the Cultural Resources Board was held on Wednesday January 25, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. The following members were present:

- Board Members present: Ayleen Burns, Jack Steele, Patrick Moran, Carol Ann Hixon, Susan Beck-Ferkiss, Ann Wilmsen, Diane Gaede.
- Board Members absent: None
- Staff Members present: Jill Stilwell, Gail Budner
- Guests Present: None

- I. Call to Order – (3:15p.m.) Mr. Moran
- II. Consideration of agenda - No Changes
- III. Consideration of Minute
 December 15: Mr. Steele corrected his statement regarding the Christmas Rose as an “entertaining evening” instead of a “very good performance”.
 Ms. Beck-Ferkiss motioned to approve the December 15th minutes as amended; the December 8th, 2005 minutes as presented; and the October 27, 2005 as presented.
 Seconded – Ms. Hixon
 Passed Unanimously
- IV. 2005 Annual Report Review
 The Board reviewed the 2005 Annual Report. Mr. Steele recommended changing the section on “The Role of the CRB”. Staff will change that section by bulleting each focus area as opposed to paragraph form. Mr. Steele motioned to submit the 2005 Annual Report as amended. Ms. Hixon seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- V. Report on Patrick Moran’s meeting with Council Liaison
 Mr. Moran and Ms. Burns meet with the Convention and Visitors Bureau to discuss a possible compromise on how the lodging tax is allocated to the CVB and the Fort Fund program. The discussion centered around a proposal for the tax to be split 70/30, with the CVB receiving 70% of the tax collected and the Fort Fund program receiving 30%. The CVB agreed, as part of the split, that they would provide a cultural calendar on-line that is well maintained and has high exposure, promote Fort Collins as a cultural destination regionally, and include culture and the arts in the content of what

the CVB promotes in general. The Board supported the idea of a 70/30 split in connection with the CVB agreeing to provide the above mentioned. Ms. Beck-Ferkiss also stated that the 30% was agreeable because it did not decrease the amount of funding currently going into Fort Fund, thus would not diminishing the program.

Due to time constraints, the Board agreed to have a special meeting to continue the discussion on Mr. Moran's meeting with council liaison, Karen Weitkunat.

VI. Review of Fort Fund proposals: none

VII. Fort Fund Discussion and Recommendations

The board reviewed 20 Fort Fund grant applications and developed their funding recommendations. The Board requested staff send letter to Ethos West and the Northern Colorado Artists Association explaining how they could improve their applications. The Board also requested staff send a letter to the Fort Collins Museum Foundation asking if they had considered changing their event date so it wouldn't conflict with Thunder in the Rockies or collaborating with the NCIPA Powwow. A suggestion was also made to update the budget page in the application to differentiate between secured and pending funding.

The Board requested staff send out a press release once Council approved the Fort Fund recommendations, and place it on the City's website front page. Dr. Gaede agreed to write a soap box about Fort fund and the impact of culture on tourism and the economy.

Mr. Steele and Ms. Hixon recommended reviewing the scoring matrix at an upcoming meeting. Board members will send any suggestions for changes to the scoring matrix via e.mail to Mr. Steele or Ms. Hixon

Dr. Gaede motioned to submit recommendations for Fort Fund disbursements to City Council as outlined in the attached spreadsheet.

Mr. Steele seconded.

Passed unanimously.

VIII. Review of Past Fort Fund Events:

Senior Prom: Ms. Wilmsen attended and reported it was a well attended event.

IX. Continued Discussion on meeting with City Council Liaison:

Tabled to special meeting, scheduled for February 2, 2006 at 9:15 a.m. at Lincoln Center.

X. Committee Reports – none

XI. Staff Reports: none

XII. Other Business:

XIII. Adjournment: 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jill Stilwell
Director of Cultural Services