

OAKLAND COUNTY ART INSTITUTE AUTHORITY

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Thomas Guastello, Chairperson

Dr. David Roberson
Vice Chairperson
Gretchen Adler
Secretary

Alan Ackerman
Ann VanderLaan

July 23, 2020

Chairperson Guastello called the meeting of the Oakland County Art Institute Authority to order at 8:35 a.m. via Teleconference.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Thomas Guastello, Gretchen Adler, Alan Ackerman, Ann VanderLaan, Dr. David Roberson

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

VanderLaan moved approval of the minutes of May 7, 2020, as presented. Seconded by Ackerman.

Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Guastello indicated that a statement submitted by Gene Gargaro, Chair, Detroit Institute of Arts, would be added to the agenda under New Business. There were no objections.

VanderLaan moved approval of the agenda, as amended. Seconded by Roberson.

Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Panton, Citizen, spoke during public comment.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations were opened for the Election of Secretary.

Adler nominated Gretchen Adler as Secretary. Seconded by Roberson.

There were no further nominations and nominations were closed.

Vote on Secretary:

Ayes: Roberson, Adler, Ackerman, VanderLaan, Guastello (5)

Nays: (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, Gretchen Adler was elected Secretary.

Nominations were opened for the Election of Chair.

VanderLaan nominated Thomas Guastello as Chairperson. Seconded by Roberson.

There were no further nominations and nominations were closed.

Vote on Chairperson:

Ayes: Adler, Ackerman, VanderLaan, Roberson, Guastello (5)

Nays: (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, Thomas Guastello was elected Chair.

Nominations were opened for the Election of Vice-Chair.

Adler nominated Dr. David Roberson as Vice-Chairperson. Seconded by Ackerman.

There were no further nominations and nominations were closed.

Vote on Vice-Chair:

Ayes: Ackerman, VanderLaan, Roberson, Adler, Guastello (5)

Nays: (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, Dr. David Roberson was elected Vice-Chair.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Amy Carter, Junior Accountant, Treasurer's Office, provided a brief overview of the Treasurer's Report for FY 2019-2020, Month 7. The report consists of the Oakland County Art Institute Authority Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity as of June 30, 2020, and the budget.

Adler moved to receive and file the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Roberson.

Motion carried.

DIA PRESENTATION

Julie McFarland, Public Affairs Officer, Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA), reported on the status of their service agreement activity through March 13, 2020, with the Oakland County Art Institute Authority. The report included DIA admissions, senior programming and trips, and community partnership program planning. A report was also provided regarding DIA programming after March 13, 2020, considering the pandemic. Ms. McFarland indicated that online offerings and virtual programming were developed in alignment with the service agreement categories and that programs such as "Behind the Scene Art Talks" and teacher professional development sessions were redesigned and formatted for digital platforms. Judith Dolkart, Deputy Director, Art, Education & Programs, DIA, reported on the museums proposed plan for school programming during COVID-19, indicating that special collection-focused museum kits will be available to schools. The museum is scheduled to reopen on July 9, 2020, with reduced capacity and limited hours. The Detroit Film Theater (DFT) will remain closed with increased offerings online. Virtual access to the collection and programming online will continue to be promoted through the DIA and partner organizations social media channels.

Adler moved to receive and file the PowerPoint presentation. Seconded by Roberson.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A discussion was held regarding the statement submitted to Authority members via email per Mr. Guastello by Gene Gargaro, Chair of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Roberson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by VanderLaan.

Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Megan C. Sellers, Staff Assistant

Gretchen Adler, Secretary

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Authority approval.