# **OAKLAND COUNTY ART INSTITUTE AUTHORITY**

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December 10, 2024

Chair Rajpal called the meeting of the Oakland County Art Institute Authority to order at 9:01 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners' Committee Room A at 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Bldg. 12E, Pontiac, Michigan.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jen Miller, Dr. Swarn Rajpal, Barbara Whittaker

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE:**

Shelley Goodman Taub

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jen Miller moved approval of the minutes of September 17, 2024, as presented. Seconded by Barbara Whittaker.

Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Barbara Whittaker moved approval of the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Jen Miller.

Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

- Resignation Letter, Thomas Guastello Detroit Institute of Arts Board of Directors
- Resignation Letter, Bo Cheng Oakland County Art Institute Authority
- DIA Communication to Ms. Alexander
- Appointment Letters, Bo Cheng & Dave Flynn DIA Board of Directors
- Cover Letter, 2024 Assessing Officers Report

Jen Miller moved to receive and file the Communications, as presented. Seconded by Barbara Whittaker.

Motion Carried.

## DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS (DIA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

Bo Cheng and Dave Flynn were unavailable to provide an update.

#### CHAIR'S REPORT - ART OF DINING

Chair Rajpal reported that he attended an event for the *Art of Dining* exhibition at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The Exhibition is on view until January 5, 2025. Chair Rajpal also attended the Hazel Park Mural unveiling and Farmington Mural unveiling. These murals were developed in partnership with the community and the Detroit Institute of Arts through the Partners in Public Art Mural Program.

### DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS (DIA) - CY 2025 PROGRAM PLAN REPORT

Julie McFarland, Executive Director of Public Affairs and Community Engagement at the Detroit Institute of Arts, gave a presentation with an overview of the Calendar Year 2025 Program Plan Report. Also in attendance were Anthony Smith, Vice President of Learning and Audience Engagement, and Ian Rapnicki, Public Affairs Officer.

The presentation covered the four pillars of the Service Agreement: Free Admission, School Program, Senior Program, and Community Partnership Programs. Highlights planned for residents in 2025:

- 12 Artworks to Inspire: A new print piece featuring 12 works of art, and a tear-off coupon to redeem in the museum.
- In-School Program: the pilot is wrapping up in Madison Heights, and the program will begin
  in Pontiac in 2025. Following an evaluation, recommendations for the fall 2025 program
  will be made.
- K-12 School Field Trips with Free Transportation
- Teacher Professional Development along with Exhibition and Learning Resources
- Docent-Led and Self-Guided Senior Visits, the Melodies at the Museum Program, and new Thematic Tours for Seniors in 2025
- Various Community Partnership Programs, including InsideOut; the Partners in Public Art Mural Program; Drop-In Artmaking at Fairs and Festivals; Arts, Beats, and Eats; Community Group Studio Program; library, recreation centers, & community groups

#### 2025 InsideOut Partners in Oakland County:

- Davisburg/Springfield Township
- Charter Township of Waterford
- Village of Wolverine Lake
- Madison Heights
- Village of Lake Orion
- Beverly Hills

Annual InsideOut Partners in Oakland County:

- Oakland County Parks
- Oakland Community College
- Oakland County Senior Centers

Following McFarland's presentation, Judith Dolkart, Deputy Director, gave an overview of upcoming and current exhibitions:

- Painted with Silk: The Art of Early American Embroidery; December 13, 2024, through June 15, 2025
- Tiff Massey: 7 Mile & Livernois; May 5, 2025, through May 11, 2025
- The Art of Dining; September 22, 2025, through January 5, 2025
- In the fall of 2025, there will be an exhibition highlighting contemporary artwork created by Anishinaabe Native Americans.

Barbara Whittaker moved to receive and file the Detroit Institute of Arts Calendar Year 2025 Program Plan Report, as presented. Seconded by Jen Miller.

Motion Carried.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Amy Carter, Accountant II with the Oakland County Treasurer's Office provided a report of the current financials of the Oakland County Art Institute Authority.

Jen Miller moved to receive and file the Treasurer's Report, as presented. Seconded by Barbara Whittaker.

Motion Carried.

# BOC ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE OAKLAND COUNTY ART INSTITUTE AUTHORITY

Michael Andrews, Oakland County Board of Commissioners Chief of Staff, gave an overview of the Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Oakland County Art Institute Authority for Administrative Services.

Jen Miller moved to approve the BOC Administrative Services Agreement between the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and the Oakland County Art Institute Authority, as presented. Seconded by Barbara Whittaker.

Motion carried on a roll call vote:

Yeas: Miller, Whittaker, Rajpal (3)

Nays: (0) Abstain: (0) Absent: Taub (1)

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Jen Miller moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Barbara Whittaker.

Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Susie Corker Cobb, Committee Coordinator

Jen Miller, Secretary

**NOTE:** The foregoing minutes are subject to Authority approval.