

CULTURAL SERVICES BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

4:30 PM

LOVELAND MUSEUM

503 N Lincoln Avenue, Loveland, CO 80537

I. Call Meeting to Order

The April 25, 2017 meeting of the Cultural Services Board was called to order at 4:32pm by Jan DesJardin in the upstairs Conference Room of the Loveland Museum.

Board Members Present: Juanita Cisneros, Dr. Dierdre Cook, Jan DesJardin, Heather Fortin Rubald, and Kris Ortmann. Teresa Mueller was absent.

Staff Present: Council Liaison John Fogle; Susan Ison, Cultural Services Director; Bryan Zellmer, Rialto Theater Center Manager; and Tegan Hollen, Office Support Specialist.

Guests Present: Michelle Vendegna, Loveland Reporter Herald Reporter

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

There were no additions or corrections/changes to the agenda.

Additions or Corrections/Changes to the March 28, 2017 Minutes

There were no additions or corrections/changes to the minutes.

Approval of the March 28, 2017 Minutes

Kris Ortmann motioned to approve the minutes. Dr. Dierdre Cook seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

II. Agenda Items

Board Reports

CSB Accomplishments Update – Kris Ortmann reviewed the activities that CSB members participated in during the last two months.

Cultural Services Department Reports

Museum Report – Susan Ison spoke about current and upcoming events and exhibits at the Loveland Museum as well as other news:

- *Museum Expansion* – Representatives from The Community Foundation of Northern Colorado expressed interest in holding an event in the fall in support of the ballot initiative that would

benefit various cultural projects in Loveland such as the Loveland Museum expansion. Councilor Fogle offered information about all of the current ballot initiatives that will be considered in the upcoming election.

- *Valentine Exhibit* – The renovation of the *Sweetheart Town USA* exhibit is underway. The new exhibit will open to the public on Thursday, May 18, 2017.
- *Visitor Kiosk* – The new visitor kiosk has been in use for one month. Susan Ison and Tegan Hollen discussed how visitors have responded to the kiosk and how Museum staff plan to adjust the survey questions to make it more effective.
- *Hung Liu Exhibit* – Maureen Corey, Curator of Art, recently met with artist Hung Liu and her husband to discuss Liu's upcoming exhibit, opening in late 2017 at the Museum. This exhibit will include pieces that will explore movement and migration and how these topics relate to Loveland history.
- *Governor's Art Show* – The 26th Annual Governor's Art Show, organized by the Loveland and Thompson Valley Rotary Clubs, is currently being installed and will open on Saturday, April 29, 2017. A new preview reception for members will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2017 and the Opening Gala will be held on Friday, April 28, 2017.
- *Security* – Based on mounting issues with urban campers in Peters Park, Susan has worked with the City Manager's Office and the Facilities Management department to hire security personnel to work at the Museum on weekends. Security will begin working at the Museum in May 2017.
- *Reporter Herald Signs* – Jennifer Cousino, Curator of History, and Susan recently worked with Loveland Reporter Herald staff to collect a sign from the building they previously used in downtown Loveland on 5th Street. The newspaper staff are now operating out of a new office in Berthoud. Both Susan and Jennifer are also continuing to work on completing the contract with the Reporter Herald to have the Museum house the newspaper archives.

Rialto Theater Center Report – Bryan Zellmer spoke about current and upcoming performances and events at the Rialto Theater Center as well as other news:

- *Recent Performances & Events* – April was a busy month for the Rialto; nearly 1200 patrons attended The Moon Theatre Company production of *Beets* and 388 patrons attended the Lisa Loeb performance.
- *Upcoming Performances & Events* – Ticket sales for the Loveland Choral Society performance are slow, which may be influenced by the lack of parking caused by construction for *The Foundry* project behind the Rialto. Otherwise, tickets sales for other summer shows are doing well. The Summer Cinema Series films have been chosen and will be announced in a guide being published in May. Broadway Bootcamp teachers are booked and Bryan is wrapping up housing arrangements for those visiting from out of state. Bryan is finalizing plans for the Foote Lagoon Summer Concert Series second stage acts and the Sundays in the Devereaux lounge style shows have been confirmed and will start in the fall. Dr. Dierdre Cook asked about summer internships for youth at the Rialto and Bryan said he would consider these opportunities.

City Council Report

Councilor John Fogle offered an update about specific items being considered by City Council as well as City Council news.

- *The Foundry Project* – Construction for the project has begun. Parking challenges may affect events at the Rialto and potentially the Museum.
- *Timberlane Farm Museum* – City Council will be asked to consider the role of the City in supporting and maintaining the Timberlane Farm Museum. Discussions so far have suggested the Cultural Services department work with CSU and the Loveland Historical Society to research options for keeping the museum in operation.
- *Highway Projects* – A number of projects are currently underway, including the I-25 expansion project.

Miscellaneous

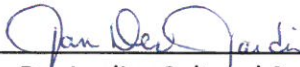
- *Pre-College Studio Art Workshop Show* – Tegan Hollen spoke about the show on Friday, April 28, 2017 at Artworks Loveland that will feature the work done by the workshop students.

NEXT CULTURAL SERVICES BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, May 23 at 4:30 pm in the Loveland Museum Conference Room.

III. Adjournment

The Cultural Services Board meeting was adjourned at 5:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jan DesJardin, Cultural Services Board Chair

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