

Kitsap County Arts Board

M I N U T E S

January 6, 2010
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Coroners Office
Bremerton

A meeting was held Wednesday January 6th at the Coroner's Facility in Bremerton with Alison Sonntag, Lori Johnson, Robert Jones, and Robin Denis in attendance. Alison notified us that Lee was not well and would not be attending, and we knew Linley and Joyce would not be attending. It was decided to continue with the meeting. Minutes will be passed to the group, and Lee can advise re legality. Absent: Katie McDevitt, Lee Reyes, Linley Logan, Joyce Merkel.

-The meeting was called to order at 5pm, motioned by Robert, seconded by Robin.

-Robert motioned that the minutes of the December 16th, 2009 meeting be approved, seconded by Alison.

-Robin motioned that our further meetings be moved to 5pm at this new location. Alison and Lori requested 4:45, and **the motion was carried to start the balance of this year's meetings at 4:45 pm at this location.**

-Discussion was held about keeping our meetings to 1-1/2 hours in length, with general agreement, but no vote. Alison also brought up having our meetings quarterly or bi-monthly as needed during this year. Again, no motion and no vote.

-Lori questioned whether the Coroner's Facility is actually a public venue, ie: that the public could join our meetings if they wishes. Lee: Does our Board fall under the open meetings act? Also, Lori requested that either our meeting dates not be listed on our website, or updated regularly, as she has attended on the dates scheduled, when in fact the meeting date had been changed.

-Regarding voting in the position of Chairman of our Board: Robert had nominated Alison during the December 16th meeting, and Alison indicated she would be willing to accept the position. As Joyce had voted by email in favor of Alison as Chairman, Robert motioned that Alison be accepted as our new Chairman of the Board, seconded by Robin. No dissenting votes. (5 votes for)

-Regarding the position of Vice-Chair of the Board: it was discussed and decided to wait for our next meeting to elect this position as Joyce, Linley, and Lori had expressed interest.

-Our rotating 'un-hung' collection was discussed, and it was decided that we should hang all the pieces currently in storage.

-All present agreed that the youth photos that are displayed, still without appropriate credit, should have proper signage put in place as soon as possible. Joyce had worked on the verbiage with previous member Sharon Kuepfer

so it should not be extremely time consuming. It was agreed by all present that a 1-page 8X11 signage, framed in the same manner as the photos, should be finalized and hung. To be re-visited when Joyce is present at next meeting.

-The pieces we had considered hanging in the Coroner's facility were discussed again, as Robin had been told by the Coroner's staff that the textured glass windows totally covering the reception desk at this facility had not yet been opened (she had them open them for the purposes of this meeting), nor has a receptionist been hired, or is even being considered. The Transatlantic piece we were hoping to hang behind the reception desk, would not be seen by the public ever, at least for the near future. The 'family' room, which is set up more like a small conference room, would also not have much public access, so the art should be re-thought for the interior of this facility.

-Alison had suggested we consider an event, such as an Open House, at the Administration Building, perhaps in conjunction with another event or holiday, which we could host, allowing the public to view displayed art, and perhaps involve varied artists displays, or artwork from public schools - general discussion about new directions, ethnic parades, etc.

-The advisory work plan of 2008 was reviewed, and the advisory work plan of 2009 was discussed and laid out as follows, as we understood from Lee that she needed to submit the 2010 plan by end January:

Advisory Group 2010 Work Plan

Part I: Mission Statement/Purpose: no change from 2009

Part II: Accomplishments in 2009

a. Reviewed Board member term limits and will keep as currently in by-laws.

b. Statement (to be prepared by Lee) of what art was purchased during 2009, with total cost.

c. Completed Coroner's Office exterior artwork.

d. Replaced 3 plaques outside Port Orchard Administration building.

e. Transitions: New members during 2009: Katie McDevitt, Lori Johnson, Alison Sonntag, Linley Logan.

Past chair Ken Van der Does retired end 2009, and Mariah Messineo-Benge withdrew after a short term.

Part III: Proposed Goals/Objectives or Plans for 2010

a. Educate public:

1) brochure or brochures to be developed and printed

2) explore new directions and ideas for publicity, fundraising, community involvement

3) continue to explore ways to involve community youth

b. Find venues to display all current rotating art.

1) obtain list of all public facilities in all our counties where works could be hung, parks/areas where exterior sculpture etc. could be considered.

2) continue to look for closet in Admin. Building with lock for our uses.

3) prepare (and keep updated) inventory checklist of all works owned by our Board, medium, size, artist, date bought, where displayed, and date displayed. Lori has volunteered to prepare this inventory.

c. Keep KAB website updated.

-Lastly, regarding the CVG juried art show - we need to find out the exact date/time, and make a decision at our next meeting as to what amount we wish to authorize for purchase, noting that we still have not placed the 3 pieces were purchased last year. General agreement that Board members

who could not attend the CVG will view photos, dimensions, mediums at the March meeting to determine our purchases, unless we change our Feb. meeting to follow the CVG show, assuming it is in Feb., in which case decisions about purchase could be made by the Board in Feb.

Robert motioned for the meeting to close at 6:20.

Notes respectfully submitted by Robin Denis, 1/8/10.