

Harford County Cultural Arts Board
Maryland Room
Bel Air Branch Harford County Public Library
Monday, August 5, 2019

Present: Chuck Bowden (Chairperson), Jessica Cleaver (Coordinator), Pam Burton, Kelley Dilworth, Karen Heppen, Renee Johnson, Peter McCallum, Christina McLoughlin, Heidi Neff-Chuffo, Wendy Roberts, Aurora Kahoe (legislative assistant for Councilman Chad Shrodes), and Mary Hastler (Library Administrator).

Absent: Jared Noe, Angie Sokolov, and Laura Ward-Moran.

- The meeting was brought to order by Chuck Bowden at 6:02 p.m..
- The consent agenda was the first meeting item addressed. This consisted of the following topics—the June 3, 2019 meeting minutes, five Harford Living Treasure . nominations (Charles B. Anderson, G. Edward Fielder, James Galbreath, Thomas Wilson Galbreath Jr. and wife Betsy Ann Galbreath, and Joseph F. Snee Sr.), the Coordinator’s report, the FY19 Year-end Fiscal Summary, and the August 2, 2019 Roster. Karen Heppen moved that the consent agenda be approved and Pam Burton seconded the motion. This motion was approved unanimously. Following a discussion regarding new Board members expressing confusion about the Living Treasures nomination/approval process and the role of the Board in the approval process, Karen Heppen retracted her motion. This was approved by consensus as was the retraction of the Harford Living Treasure approval for all five nominees. Jessica Cleaver then reiterated the purpose of the Harford Living Treasure initiative and the scope of the nomination/approval process. It was approved by consensus to postpone the approval of the five Harford Living Treasure nominees until the October 7, 2019 Board meeting.
- Jessica Cleaver presented and reviewed the proposed plan for utilizing the FY20 Maryland State Arts Council Community Arts Development grant. She also highlighted the grant applicant chart in detail to discuss all facets of the data display that contributed to the final proposed grant awards. Pam Burton moved to approve the proposed grant awards and Kelley Dilworth seconded this motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- Jessica Cleaver provided specific information regarding the need for volunteers in the upcoming events such as the Havre de Grace Art Show, Bel Air Arts Festival, the Joppatowne Arts Festival, and the Harford County Public Schools vendor fair. Currently, volunteers are being solicited so a comprehensive “coverage” plan can be developed by August 8, 2019.
- Karen Heppen, Kelley Dilworth, and Heidi Neff-Chuffo are serving on this year’s Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of officers that will be presented at the October

7, 2019 Harford County Cultural Arts Board meeting. The following officers are needed for a one-year term: Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary.

- Chuck Bowden briefed the Board on the resignations of Larry Noto and Amy Riley. The specific circumstances that resulted in these two Board member resignations also were explained. Chuck Bowden has reached out to Larry Noto who still has yet to respond. Peter McCallum has contacted Amy Riley who has stated she will provide a written response. Jessica Cleaver and Chuck Bowden recognized and thanked these two Board members for their service.
- It was agreed by consensus to adjourn the meeting. Chuck Bowden formally adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.. The next regularly-scheduled meeting of the Harford County Cultural Arts Board will be held on Monday, October 7, 2019 – location to be determined.