

Harford County Cultural Arts Board
Bel Air Branch Harford County Public Library Exhibit Room
Monday, October 7, 2019

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

County Councilperson, Tony Giangliordano also attended this meeting as an observer.

Absent: Kelley Dilworth, Jared Noe, and Laura Ward-Moran.

- The meeting was brought to order by Chuck Bowden at 6:06 p.m..
- The consent agenda was the first meeting item addressed. This consisted of the following two items—the August 5, 2019 meeting minutes and the monthly financial summary. Karen Heppen moved to approve both items and Heidi Neff-Chuffo provided the second. Both consent agenda items were approved unanimously.
- Jessica Cleaver introduced the grant review panels’ agenda item that highlighted three FY 20 Community Arts Development Grants applications which required additional follow-ups. Discussion on each resulted in votes to approve grant awards as follows:
 - (a) Harford Artists Association \$3425
 - (b) Theatreworks Live \$6, 700
 - (c) Ladew Gardens \$6,000
- Jessica Cleaver provided an overview of the Harford Living Treasure oral history project that focused on the program’s expectations and purpose. In addition, information was reviewed about the processes. The following ten Harford Living Treasure nominations were presented for consideration:

(a) Charles B. Anderson	(f) Thomas Wilson Galbreath, Jr. and Betsy Ann (Harkins) Galbreath
(b) Carol Bruce	(g) Harry and Shirley Graves
(c) Norma A. Lunsford Fickens	(h) Cynthia P. Laurie
(d) G. Edward Fielder	(i) Jesse Jerry Shank
(e) James Galbreath	(j) Joseph F. Snee Sr..

An individual, separate motion for approval and a second was made for each nomination and all were approved. (Peter McCallum recused himself from the room during the motion, second, and approval vote for James Galbreath due to a conflict of interest caused by being a member of the group that wrote and submitted this nomination.) Concluding remarks were made by Renee Johnson that it is always a positive practice to view any long-standing initiative with a “fresh set of eyes” periodically as exemplified by the discussions that occurred regarding the Harford Living Treasure initiative during the last two meetings.

- Karen Heppen presented the slate of nominees for Board officers for 2019-2020 as recommended by the Nominating Committee. The nominees were as follows for a one-year term of office: Chuck Bowden, chairperson; Angie Sokolov, vice chairperson; and Peter McCallum, recording secretary. The floor was opened for additional nomination and there were none. Pam Burton moved to approve the nominees and Christina McLoughlin provided the second. The motion was approved unanimously.
- Jessica Cleaver reminded everyone that the deadline for Arts in Education grant request submissions is October 9, 2019.
- It was agreed by consensus to adjourn the meeting. Chuck Bowden formally adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.. The next regularly-scheduled meeting of the Harford County Cultural Arts Board will be held on Monday, November 4, 2019.