

# Harford County Cultural Arts Board

## Exhibit Room

### Bel Air Branch Harford County Public Library

Monday, November 4, 2019

Present: Chuck Bowden (Chairperson), Jessica Cleaver (Coordinator), Marcia Bailey, Pam Burton, Kelley Dilworth, Karen Heppen, Peter McCallum, Christina McLoughlin, Heidi Neff Chuffo, Wendy Roberts, Angie Sokolov (Vice Chairperson), Erin Whipple, and Aurora Kahoe (legislative assistant for Councilman Chad Shrodes).

Absent: Renee Johnson, Jared Noe, and Laura Ward-Moran.

- The meeting was brought to order by Chuck Bowden at 6:00 p.m..
- The consent agenda was the first meeting item addressed. This consisted of the following two items—the October 7, 2019 meeting minutes and the monthly financial summary. Heidi Neff Chuffo moved to approve both items and Angie Sokolov provided the second. Both consent agenda items were approved unanimously.
- The two new Board members, Marcia Bailey and Erin Whipple were formally introduced.
- Jessica Cleaver introduced the ten Arts in Education grant applications that have been submitted. An overview of the proposal guidelines was also provided. These ten applications were presented and discussed for approval because several of the grant requests include activities that will occur in November or early December; therefore, the need for timely funding is paramount. The ten grant requests discussed were as follows: (a) Bel Air Elementary--Community Rocks Project; (b) Coming of Kings-- Visit to the Reginald F. Lewis Museum; (c) Coming of Kings-- Visiting Artist Kevin Gift; (d) Edgewood Elementary-- Baltimore Museum of Art field trip; (e) Edgewood Middle School-- students attend Disney's Aladdin at the Hippodrome Theatre; (f) HCC Early Learning Center --Uncle Devin; (g) Joppatowne High School-- field trip to Chesapeake Shakespeare Company; (h) North Harford High School PTSA-- High School Journalism Day at UMD; (i) St. Joan of Arc-- Life is Improvised Assemblies/ Performances; and (j) Delta Omega Chapter --Black Nativity at Murphy Fine Arts/ Morgan State University.

During the ensuing discussion consensus was reached to eliminate the following two grant requests because they did not meet the submission guidelines: Bel Air Elementary School-- Community Rocks Project and North Harford High School PTSA-- High School Journalism Day at UMD. A formal vote was then conducted on all ten projects to approve the remaining eight and to not approve the aforementioned two. Kelley Dilworth made the motion and Christina McLoughlin provided to second. This motion was approved unanimously.

- Two Harford Living Treasures nominations were presented. The first as an updated version of one approved in October. Charles A. Anderson and John F. Haggerty. They were voted upon separately and each was unanimously approved to be forwarded to the Harford County Council.
- A group photograph of the Board members present was taken by Aurora Kahoe.
- Chuck Bowden asked Board members if it would be beneficial to include time during the December 2, 2019 meeting agenda for a debriefing discussion regarding reflections on the FY 20 Grantmaking process. Consensus was reached that this discussion is not needed at this time.
- Jessica Cleaver highlighted upcoming enhancements that will be made to the Harford County Cultural Arts Board website. These include but will not be limited to an artist registry/directory, lists of local arts venues, and a list of arts-related links (Exploring the Arts in Harford County). A graphic designer is working on this endeavor in collaboration with Jessica Cleaver.
- Jessica Cleaver distributed a list of arts activities that will occur in November and December, 2019 that are embedded in the currently approved grants. Board members are encouraged to attend any of these events.
- It was agreed by consensus to adjourn the meeting. Chuck Bowden formally adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.. The next regularly-scheduled meeting of the Harford County Cultural Arts Board will be held on Monday, December 2, 2019.