

SELMA ARTS COUNCIL MINUTES

August 27, 2020 ***Special Meeting***

ATTENDEES:

Council: Erik Andersen, Scott Chapman, Adam Chavez, Ben Deghand, Juan Luis Guzman, Claudio Laso, Jose Moreno, Adrian Ocegüera, and Christina Robles

City: Nicolette C. Andersen

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm over Zoom, an online video conference call platform, as a social distancing precaution in light of the COVID-19 crisis.

New Arts Council Members

Before discussing the three applicants, the council discussed some opportunities to make the council more structured and organized. Adam will be creating an Attendance Log that will track art council meeting attendance for all members. This will be reviewed at each meeting to hold all council members accountable and refer to our by-laws as necessary. The council members want a copy of the most recent by-laws and to possibly review them at an upcoming meeting. Adam will be creating a Google Drive folder where all minutes, financial reports, by-laws, and attendance log will be filed; this folder will be accessible for all council members. Nicolette is currently working on getting all of our past minutes loaded on the Selma Arts Center website for public access. Nicolette will also be working on an up to date social media clause for the arts council members and hopefully will be available at the next meeting for members to review and sign.

The council then proceeded to discuss the art council applicants. There was some push to cast one of the applicants as an alternate or to lead a committee that is governed by the council. It was decided that for now, we would not select an alternate or assign an alternate to a committee, but that we would discuss this idea at our next scheduled council meeting. The council had an open discussion about all of the applicants. During this conversation, strengths and opportunities were addressed about each applicant. Erik concluded the open discussion and moved forward asking for a motion for each applicant in the order they interviewed. During this vote, each council member could only vote two of the three applicants and the two applicants with the most votes would be approved as new council members.

Christina Robles made a motion to approve Camille Gaston as a new member of the Selma Arts Council, while Claudio Laso seconded this. 7 council members approved this motion and 2 members opposed. Camille Gaston was approved as a new Selma Arts Council Member.

Adam Chavez made a motion to approve Alexis Macedo as a new member of the Selma Arts Council, while Jose Moreno seconded this. 3 council members approved this motion and 6 members opposed. Alexis Macedo was not approved as a new Selma Arts Council Member.

Ben Deghand made a motion to approve Frank Velasco as a new member of the Selma Arts Council, while Adrian Ocegüera seconded this. 8 council members approved this motion and 1 member opposed. Frank Velasco was approved as a new Selma Arts Council Member.

All applicants will be notified of the council's decision and our new members will be given the needed information to join us at our next scheduled meeting. We will discuss ways to keep Alexis Macedo involved with the art center and the potential opportunity to lead a committee at our next meeting.

A motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Adam Chavez and seconded by Christina Robles.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.