

**CITY OF SONOMA
CULTURAL & FINE ARTS COMMISSION
February 27, 2014
MINUTES**

Call to Order – Chair Carlsson called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Carlsson, Cravens, Kuhry, Personette, Ransom, Sheridan, Schertz

Absent: Vice Chair Ontko

Also Present: Administrative Assistant Rita Gipson

Minutes of the January 23, 2014 Meeting – Approved by unanimous consensus.

Student Art Award – Commissioners discussed the entries that had been received and selected Maya Harris as the recipient of the \$2,000 award. Commissioner Sheridan suggested that, if allowed, the Commission award a \$500 Merit Award to Siena Guerrazzi recognizing her special creative writing talents. The Commission voted and unanimously decided on the \$500 special merit award.

CFAC 2013/14 Budget Update

Chair Carlsson reported that according to the report prepared by Clerk Johann, the Commission received a \$4,500 budget allocation and had spent \$620.61 on the Treasure Artist Reception leaving a current balance of \$3,879.39. The Special Public Art Fund had a balance of \$10,726.

2014 Meeting Schedule

Commissioners discussed their meeting schedule for the remainder of the year and determined to meet on April 24, June 26 and September 25, 2014.

SIFF Donation

Commissioner Sheridan suggested we allocate \$100 of CFAC funds to the Sonoma International Film Festival to support the arts. Commissioners voted and unanimously voted the \$100 support to SIFF. Carlsson to follow up with the Film Festival.

Future Agenda Items –

Suggestions from Commissioners for future discussions include the following:

- Discuss 4th of July parade. Commissioner Ransom stated it would be wonderful to see the CFAC banner in the parade along with the Treasure Artist of the year and the Student Award winners or both recipients participating.
- Create a mailing list/emails relating to establishing *contacts* within the high schools, local theatre, art teachers, music teachers in order to reach out to art students and interested local supporters of the arts. This list will be used to send out for the next Student Scholarship Poster and Entry forms in 2015.
- Invite a high school student/s to visit one of the CFAC's meetings as a student representative. Maybe as a Senior Project next year.
- Donate \$100 to sponsor a film about "art" to the Sonoma Film Festival for exposure in 2014. This year's dates: April 2 – 6.
- Next year sponsor a "cool" art film presented by CFAC
- Next year include CFAC logo for the Film Festival program. Support Amount TBD for 2015.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Gipson
Administrative Assistant