

## Minutes

**Wednesday, October 12, 2022**

**Electronic Meeting at 5:00 p.m.**

### **Attendance:**

Mo Al Jumaily, Debra Antoncic, Jules Bartley, Danny Custodio, Justus Düntsch, Don Evans, Kate Leathers, Suzie Melville, Pam Seabrook, Janice Slade

### **Absent:**

David DeRocco, Jennifer Hay

### **Staff Liaison:**

Carly Anderson, Ashley Judd-Rifkin

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#### **1. Call meeting to order (Chair)**

5:04 p.m.

#### **2. Recognition of Traditional Territories**

J. Düntsch acknowledged that the land on which the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meets today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

#### **3. Amendments to the Agenda**

None

#### **4. Motion to approve the agenda as amended**

Moved: D. Evans

**Carried**

#### **5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**

Moved: K. Leathers

**Carried**

#### **6. Declarations of Interest**

None

#### **7. Presentations (invited guests)**

None

## **8. Business arising from the minutes**

Roundtable introductions took place for the benefit of new Culture Supervisor Carly Anderson, as this is the first ACAC meeting since she began her role in mid-July.

## **9. Business**

### **a. 9.1 Arts Awards Update – No Report**

### **b. 9.2 SCCIP Subcommittee Report – No Report**

### **c. 9.3 Culture Plan Subcommittee Report – No Report**

### **d. 9.4 Cultural Sustainability Committee Report – *Deferred***

J. Düntsch will provide an update after the next CSC meeting, scheduled for October 19.

### **e. 9.5 Report from Cultural Services Office – C. Anderson / A. Judd-Rifkin**

#### **i. Culture Plan**

- C. Anderson noted that the Culture Office issued a tender for consultants to work on a new Culture Plan in September, which is currently on the City's bids and tenders website. There are 11 plan-takers to date with the portal closing on October 20. Evaluation of the proposals and interviews will be happening soon, with an evaluation committee convening within the next couple of weeks. Goal is to award the contract by the end of 2022 to commence work in January.
- Lots of Public Art projects in the works right now, as follows:
  - Rodman Hall Sculpture Relocation Strategy – Five of the sculptures were de-installed in the summer, condition assessed and are currently in storage in Mississauga. Ongoing work is being done to organize the re-installation, in cooperation with City engineers, but supply chain issues have delayed some of the work. Hoping to have one sculpture installed at the PAC in late November / early December.
  - Totem Pole Restoration – Totem pole was successfully restored in the summer and is currently stored at Rex Stimers arena. Staff are exploring options regarding re-installation either indoors or outdoors and no decision has been made at this time. The re-installation will be accompanied by a celebration – more details will be provided when available.
  - Richard Pierpoint Park – An art installation at the park, done in partnership with the Rodman Art Institute of Niagara, was vandalized beyond repair over the summer. The CSO is looking to re-install the work on aluminum panels to avoid further vandalism / weathering from the elements and there will be an opening to accompany the reinstallation.
  - Fallen Firefighters Memorial Task Force – work is ongoing, but supply chain issues have delayed some work. Planning to do a groundbreaking ceremony soon.

- Neil Peart Memorial Task Force – a plan has been selected and the planning department is in the process of awarding the plan.
- Bogart Park – the City has partnered with the Niagara Regional Native Centre to have an artist install painted panels on the outside of the community centre.
- The final round of SCCIP applications were accepted Thursday September 22 for the Sustaining – Festival, Arts Development and Culture Builds Community Programs. Review Committees have been convened and recommendations for funding will be coming to ACAC at the November 9 meeting.
- Culture Days has been ongoing since September 23 and this is the final weekend! There are still many activities available for all ages – visit [www.stcatharines.ca/culturedays](http://www.stcatharines.ca/culturedays) for more information and to register for events.
- Arts Awards – nominations are in and we're looking forward to the event in November! We will release the list of nominees soon, with social media for the event ramping up after Culture Days. We'll have more information at the next meeting.

**Motion to accept report: D. Custodio**

**Carried**

#### **f. 9.6 Other Business**

##### **i. Terms of Reference**

C. Anderson went through the revised Terms of Reference document to seek ACAC's feedback on combining the two culture committees (the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee and the Public Art Advisory Committee) with a blended Terms of Reference. Membership would also expand to include public art expertise. An in-depth conversation ensued, with committee members agreeing on making the language around members' various forms of diversity more specific. Ultimately, they endorsed the revised terms.

#### **10. Date of next meeting**

Wednesday, November 09, 2022  
Via Zoom  
5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

#### **11. Motion to Adjourn**

That the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee be adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

**Moved by: D. Evans**

**Carried**