

JC Arts and Culture Trust Fund Committee Meeting

Dec. 20, 2021

Minutes taken by Midori Yoshimoto (Secretary)

Attendees: Christine Goodman (Cultural Affairs, non-voting), Councilwoman Mira Prinz-Arey (non-voting), Angelica Sanchez, Lisa Bellan-Boyer, Joe Haskins (through zoom), Elizabeth Phillip Lorenzo, Cheryl R. Riley, Midori Yoshimoto, Joe Haskins (administration-appointee), Migdalia Pagan Milano (Cultural Affairs, non-voting), and Zara Lall (McNair High School intern for Mira).

- 5:44 Call to order
- 5:45 Pledge of Allegiance
- 5:45 Sunshine Statement
- 5:46 Roll call – all present (absence - Andy Suarez and Heather Warfel)
- 5:52 Minutes from meeting of December 13, 2021 approved with all in favor
- 5:52 New Business: JCAC's proposal on Individual Artist Fellowship
EL asks how much review panelists are getting for reviewing applications in the other categories
CG says the city pays \$150 per reviewer
AS thinks \$150 is too low and \$350 may be minimum
LB says \$150 is a standard preacher's fee; suggests minimum of 150 and increases the amount in correspondence to the number of applications
CG says people can self-nominate themselves; JCAC in accordance with JCCA vets reviewers
EL suggests all reviewers should be paid the same amount of honorarium; two others agree
CG suggests 15 reviewers total: 3 in each category, including ADA
EL asks how many applicants were there for COVID grant in different categories; CG provides numbers
CR questions the term "original": AS suggests "not using someone's property"
EL questions the term "new" because the grant can also fund a continuing work
MY questions the idea of artists donating an artwork which involves storage, insurance, etc.
MPA thinks the city having a collection would require an MOU and complications
- 6:35 EL makes a motion to remove the two sentences before "Eligibility" section regarding artists donating an artwork to the city; she makes a motion and CR seconds it; LB asks to revisit this idea in the future
5 yes; 1 no
JH communicates through chat on zoom
- 6:43 Councilwoman leaves
- 6:45-50 CG receives a phone call - intermission
- 6:50 CG calls Heather Warfel (JCAC)
EL asks a question about reviewers' fees
HW answers \$500 per person x 10 people

EL asks all panelists to get paid the same amount rather than having a range of \$150 – 500
HW says they received 130 applications for the covid grant and are anticipating more, around 150; she agrees that the fee should be consistent
EL questions what level of “students” under Eligibility
HW says any level of schooling
EL suggests replacing the third clause “new, original” with “new works created during the grant period”
How are we vetting artists to prove that they are artists? What kind of materials are asked of applicants?
HW says JCAC needs to develop the detailed application instructions yet, but will use similar items such as 5 work samples and resume
CG asks we need to review the application instructions when they are drafted
CG suggests we use the state statue about the boarder definition of “artists”

- 7:10 EL suggests individual vote on charging JCAC with the Individual Artists Grants; approved with unanimous votes
- 7:12 CG calls HW; no answer
- 7:20 CG announces Neighborly training online on January 4 at 2 pm and the committee is invited
- 7:21 EL suggests coming up with an outreach schedule through libraries etc and meeting on 12/27 with an option to zoom in
EL asks the report from COVID grant
CG tells that the city is asking for a grant administrator
MY asks a backup for taking minutes in case she cannot attend the meeting
MPM offers to take minutes in MY’s absence
- 7:39 Meeting adjourned