



MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 13, 2007
Neill Public Library - Pullman, WA 99163

In Attendance: Anna Maria Shannon, Kathleen Bodley, Rebecca Thorgaard, Linda Hartford, Patrick Siler. **Absent** (unexcused): Fritz Hughes, Chris Bruce. **Guests:** Shanti Scutt-Norman – art teacher at Lincoln Middle School, Miles Pepper – artist & interested citizen

Minutes: Approved May and June Minutes

Old Business:

***Fish Frieze:** Cost to build the wall and install the fish frieze is now back down to \$15,000.

Albright Construction, already chosen for other projects around Pullman, will build the wall and oversee installation.

***Fund Raising Task Force:** needs more bodies.

***Banner Fund Raising:** PAC felt we should step back and get the public involved. **Shanti Scutt-Norman** is working with middle school students on a banner project. Discussion followed re: getting the **students** involved in the downtown banner project – 25 for downtown, 25 for Bishop Blvd = **50** banners total. Choose best art from student submissions? Many questions arose. **Patrick** will look into paint, over-varnish, longevity of materials, and application considerations. So we want a unifying theme or text? Taglines were suggested, ie: "Celebrating the Arts". **Becky** to find out cost of banner blanks with one color tagline and any problems constructing hand painted banners. **Miles** asked if we had a **budget**. **KB reviewed** the project history and relationship with the City. The suggestion was again made that businesses donate the cost of any banners that would be hung in their vicinity: ie: hospital, muffler shop, realtors, etc. "We need more public involvement." KB says we need to be able to assure a guarantee comes with the banners since we're dealing with city and public money. Find out who else (towns) have created their own banners.

- How much for printing several designs? Have other towns painted on banner blanks? If and when do we go public asking for submissions of ideas for banner designs? What is our budget? Are there grants that we could apply for? Shanti said WSAC has been working on "Building Strong Communities through the Arts". We should look in to this. **Sept. 24 Chris Wassack** will be in town to discuss funding. Linda and Patrick suggested making a proposal to city council encouraging the integration of the arts into the city using schools. Some were concerned the hand-made banners may not last 10 years. – Let's get the fish frieze up to show.

Balasz sculpture: Harold Balasz came down from Spokane to view and make suggestions for repairs. PSDistrict will cover costs (\$2000) of its repair. The sculpture is to be reinstalled at Lincoln Middle School. It was originally purchased through a WSAC grant.

New Business: Mapping Project: the committee from PCT reported on the signage needs of the Path. Lisa Carloye represented the committee. KB suggested we take a walk to view Path and make suggestions for sculpture needs, will send e-mail to coordinate.

Additional: Anna-Maria will suggest a time for banner brainstorming.

It was noted that PAC Power Pt. Presentation to City Council in March took 3 distinct directions. AMS stressed we need to talk up the economic advantage to a community when the arts are incorporated into the fabric. Ie: Dahmen Barn, Bank Left Gallery, (recall Nika Gallery, A Fine Line). AMS has entire Arts & Economics report she will bring to the next meeting. The Blue Heart on campus has now become a treasured piece that attracts viewers.

Handouts: 'Arts & Economic Prosperity III' sheet; 'Seattle Arts Means Business', 'Procedures for requesting a project'.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Rebecca Thorgaard, PAC Secretary
October 9, 2007