



Council Meeting Minutes
April 12th, 2018
11:00AM –12:30pm
Columbus Museum of Art

11:40 am

Meeting called to Order at 11:40am by Chairman Barry Schrenk
Chairman's Welcome

- Roll Call: In Attendance- Barry Schrenk, Gladys Wyant- (on phone), Marleen de Bode Olivier, David Morrow, Gina Jeffords, Elizabeth Delancy. Staff – Allen Bell, Tina Lilly, Sanaa Furqan, Karen Paty. Absent – Maxine Burton, John White, Stephanie Jones, Senator Jeff Mullis and Representative Valencia Stovall.
- Approval of minutes from last Council meeting: All in favor. None opposed.
- Barry thanked Marleen de Bode Olivier for organizing this meeting location.
- Karen Paty shared that the FY18 amended budget was signed Governor Deal. We received a one-time 150, 000 to go toward grants.

12:00pm

Grant Program, Tina Lilly

- Tina reviewed the new online grant system, Foundant.
- Grant Program- FY17 grant recap (Final Report data): Grants were awarded in 88 counties. Based on final reports, 96% of all grantees said that the GCA grant helped them reach new audiences.
- Grant Summary FY18: grants awarded in 96 counties, including those reached by the Round 2 Partner Grants.
- Grant summary FY19: Total funds requested from Partner, Project and Arts Education applications is over \$3 million, which is double the total amount that GCA awarded in grants in FY18.

12:20pm

Arts Education, Allen Bell

- Poet Laureate's Prize: Participation in PLP included: 211 entries, from 74 high schools, in 38 counties. The winner is Dagmawit (Bessi) Adamu, a junior at Milton HS. The four finalists are from: Davidson



Fine Arts Academy in Augusta, Bradwell Institute in Hinesville (Liberty County), Johns Creek High School in Johns Creek (north Fulton County). The Award ceremony is on Monday, April 30th with the Poet Laureate, Governor Deal, and First Lady Sandra Deal. The Winner and finalist poems will be published on the Atlanta Magazine website.

- Poetry Out Loud: Participation in POL this year included 6,512 students, 331 teachers, in 73 high schools, from 32 counties (participation totals are down from last year and previous years; partly due to coordinator on maternity leave and partly due to snow dates). State finals on March 11, 2018 at Atlanta History Center. The State Champ is Valyn Turner, a junior from Lanier High School in Sugar Hill, GA (near Buford in northern Gwinnett County). The National Finals are in Washington, DC on April 23-25 (will be livestreamed)
- Arts Education Campaign: Launched in October 2017. Intended to help local arts education supporters make their case for arts education
 - Slides & adoption tips are included to help local arts education supporters identify strategies to increase access to arts education
 - Social media campaign on Facebook – combined 15,000 views including Social media hashtag - #ArtsEdGA
- Georgia Teaching Artists Registry: Added 24 artists this year, which makes for a total of 49 Teaching Artists on the Registry. Applications are currently open for the next round of Teaching Artists to be added to the Registry; the application deadline is April 27th.

12:45pm

Closing Business, Karen Paty

- Strategic Planning update: the final goals and examples of the strategies for each goal were presented. Staff will continue to revise strategies, and then the entire plan will be sent to the Board. David Morrow noted that the plan should take into consideration the limitations of GCA's small staff.

1:00pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Marleen de Bode Olivier. The motion was seconded by Gladys Wyant. Meeting is adjourned, All in favor