Council Meeting
June 30, 2020
11:00 AM – 12:21 PM
Via Zoom

**Attendance**

**Absent**
Jeff Mullis, John White

**Staff**
Allen Bell, Tina Lilly, Ashleigh Porter, Karen Paty, Delilah Johnson-Brown

**11:05 AM** Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Barry Schrenk
- Motion to approve minutes was made by Gladys Wyant, Second by Maxine Burton. All in favor.
- Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting was made by Gladys Wyant, Second by Colt Chambers. All in favor.
- GCA’s summer intern, Ashleigh Porter, was introduced. Ashleigh is a student at Butler University and has been working remotely this summer with the GCA staff. She has been supporting the grants program however, her major project has been to research and identify a cloud based collections management software for the State Art Collection. GCA has now contracted with Artwork Archives and Ashleigh is in the process of adding all of our state art collection images and data to this program for a much needed and overdue upgrade to our collections management system.
- Updates were shared from the National Assembly for State Arts Agencies' Report to Councils.

**11:10 AM** GCA’s COVID-19 Response
- Staff gave an overview of the contract amendments we offered to FY20 grantees in response to COVID-19 including:
  - Postponing programs through December 31, 2020
  - Revising the program design, scope, or components
o Cancelling programs and applying funding to arts-related general operating support
o Cancelling programs and returning funds
o Revising Partner Grant strategic goals
o A total of 90 change forms were submitted, including:
  o Funded programs which changed from live to virtual program delivery with no other changes were not required to submit a change form.

- A brief overview was provided of the GCA/GA Center for Nonprofits partnership that included a series of COVID-19 related webinars for the nonprofit arts community
- An overview was given of GCA’s Resiliency Grant, funded by CARES Act money through the National Endowment for the Arts
- Staff shared that the current “Creative Healing” exhibits have been extended
- An update was given on Poet Laureate Prize and Poetry Out Loud virtual programs this past Spring.

11:41 AM GCA FY21 Grant Program
- FY21 Grant Application Review Process discussed. Council members thanked for their service as panelists this year.
- FY21 Proposed Grants: Project, Partner and Arts Education Program were reviewed
- Council approved the grant review process and the recommendations for FY21 grants. Motion made by Colt Chambers. Second by Gladys Wyant. All in favor. None opposed.
- FY21 Teaching Artist Registry was discussed
  o Background checks have been completed for new class. Profiles are being completed, and the new class will be added to the registry in advance of the new school year.
- FY21 Vibrant Communities
  o Applications will be open in July with a late August deadline.
  o Staff will open the application for the VC Artist list this week.

12:02 PM Commissioner Pat Wilson joined the meeting to say a few words of farewell to GCA Executive Director Karen Paty and discuss the leadership transition.

12:14 PM A brief discussion was held about potential options for the 2020 Governor’s Awards for the Arts & Humanities

12:21 PM Council Meeting Adjourned
Motion made by Gladys Wyant. All in favor.