

**Edina Public Art Committee-MINUTES-09/02/10
Community Room, Edina City Hall 4p.m.**

Present: Bernice Amacher, Brad Benn, Rick Fesler, Diana Hedges, Bill McCabe, Lois Ring, Anne Spooner and Ruth Valgema. Not present: Amy Kerber.

Welcome guest Naomi Griffin who expressed interest in membership.

Aug 5, 2010 minutes approved.

Election of new Chair: Lois Ring was nominated. Motion carried. Lois accepted the position if there will be funding to continue the exhibition programs as in the past.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Presentation will be made at City Council and hopefully they will approve funds for EPAC. Bill McCabe will obtain an update on the budget to present to City Council and present a financial update at the next EPAC meeting.

He also reported that the average expenditure for EPAC is \$6,000 annually.

Lois Ring reported that there is a possible \$2,500 income from Taste of Creativity, a fund raiser for EPAC, Edina Art Center and Edina Auxiliary.

Diana Hedges announced that the next council meeting will be of importance and that members of EPAC should try to attend which will show good support.

She also stated that City Council was very receptive and thankful for the gifts presented of Timepiece and MN Eco-Turtle. Diana Hedges presented two posters at the meeting which are now on display at City Hall with beautiful photographs of the two sculptures.

Button sales are \$395

No report from Dick Crockett but a check for \$1785 was received for purchase of Timepiece from Dee Kennedy. \$1785 was sent to artist Dean Holtzman. Dick did confirm by phone that an additional \$2,000 came in and will be used for Grandview.

Lois Ring proposes starting an Action List, to carry over business.

Lois Ring also stated that John Keprios will report on the sand bed suggested by a nearby resident for displaying MN Eco-Turtle at next meeting.

CONTINUING BUSINESS (Action List)

Voting for People's Choice-Brad Benn reported on people's choice awards- The Plunge is in the lead currently. 212 points, Reflecting on Friendship has 181, Entegra Total-149. Rider of the Four Directions has 129. Brad Benn says he is hopeful there will be more votes coming in.

Fall Into The Arts -Brad Benn will provide a sign which will be placed at the art center table that will go with brochures & ballots at Fall into the Arts Festival. He also agreed to print up more ballots.

Donor contacts-Lois Ring asked for a second donation from Centennial Lakes Dental. There may be a possible donation coming thru the Community Foundation since they sent directly to them last year.

Kodiak-Ruth Valgemaie shared some information about the Balto statue in Central Park. Her suggestion is for something similar with Kodiak. Edina Crime Fund is asking for a ball park figure of costs involved. Ruth Valgemaie is working on gaining more specific cost information. Brad Benn suggested asking bronze sculptors about estimate of costs. Diana Hedges mentioned that Ken Rosland would like something 3 times larger than life size. Brad Benn will acquire some estimates and report on this at the next meeting. Main concern of crime fund is that the proposed sculpture will be placed in a public place. All are in agreement with this request. It was noted that John Keprios suggested the logical location would be at Braemar where there is a dog cemetery.

Membership-Lois asked for a volunteer to head up this committee to increase our membership.

Status of Dick Crocket-He requested to no longer receive emails and won't be attending meetings. He may be able to recommend someone to fill his place.

Taste of Creativity-Charity Event. Nov. 4th at the Art Center. Fairview Auxiliary, Edina Art Center and Edina Public Art will Co-sponsor. Tickets will be available on line at EdinaArtCenter.com.

Marketing/Promotion-Lois Ring remarked on Katie Mintz doing a great job on the Edina Sun Current article covering the Promenade and gift of Time Piece. She also mentioned that The Edina magazine will feature an article on EPAC in their Oct issue.

There will be a City Video about Timepiece airing on Channel 16.

Diana Hedges stated she and Phil Johnson will design an insert announcing the programs offered in the EAC Media Studio including reproduction and copying of old movies to DVD and other services on one side of the insert and the other for Public Art donations included with the quarterly bills. Motion was carried to approve.

NEW BUSINESS

Grants-Lois Ring asked for a member to chair this committee.

Rick Fesler reported that there has been no headway made with regard to his potential donors.

2011 Call for Artists for Promenade and Grandview-

Brad Benn presented the Call for Artists schedule and reported that the postmark deadline for artist proposals will be 3/11/2011. The year will be placed at the top of the document. He suggested his title be: Artist Liason.

OTHER

Naomi Griffin reported the crab grass has taken over the Promenade grass.

It was also mentioned that permanent plaques are needed for the 2 sculptures

MN-Eco Turtle and Timepiece. Brad Benn will contact John Keprios.

Brad Benn presented a framed plaque of the award given to EPAC. Pam Hoye of Calhoun Beach Framing donated the framing.

A suggested EPAC t-shirt will be included in next month's agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 5pm.

Minutes submitted by Anne Spooner

Next meeting: Oct 7, at 4pm Edina City Hall Community Room