

SCFD BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 27, 2015

1:00 pm

Lone Tree Arts Center

Meeting Minutes

SCFD Board members present: Chair Dan Hopkins, Vice-Chair Kathy Kucsan, Treasurer Hal Logan, Secretary Lynn Jeffers, Councilwoman Kendra Black, Peggy Lehmann, Elaine D. Torres, Rob Johnson, Kathy Imel, Kathryn Spuhler and Damon O. Barry

SCFD staff present: Executive Director Peg Long, Senior Program Manager Nancy McCamey, Program Associate Iris Gregg and Office Systems Administrator Sheila Mieger

1. Introductions and Approval of Agenda

Dan Hopkins called the meeting to order at 1pm followed by introductions. A quorum was present and the agenda was approved.

Lisa Rigby Peterson, Executive Director, welcomed the Board and Tier II colleagues to Lone Tree Arts Center.

2. Approval of July 23, 2015 Board Minutes

Kathy Kucsan motioned to approve the minutes. Kathryn Spuhler seconded. Motion to accept the minutes passed.

3. Reports

3.1 Treasurer

Hal Logan reported the June 2015 SCFD sales and use tax revenue was \$4,759,032.24. The 2015 year-to-date (YTD) sales and use tax revenue is \$26,296,441.37. This compares to YTD 2014 revenue of \$24,630,964.55. The variance is \$1,665,476.82 a 6.76% increase in YTD 2015 over YTD 2014.

Resolution 15-21 Pertaining to Amending 2015 Budget

Hal Logan presented and read Resolution 15-21: Pertaining to Amending 2015 Budget. The amendments to the budget allow for the hiring of an additional staff person. Kendra Black motioned for approval. Rob Johnson seconded. The motion to accept the resolution passed. Dan Hopkins thanked Hal for his leadership on this project.

3.2 Chairman

Dan Hopkins mentioned CATZ has received a number of resolutions in support of the SCFD Board, the reauthorization process and the Task Force recommendations including from Denver Mayor Hancock, South Metro Denver Chamber and Cherry Hills Village.

3.3 Executive Director

Peg Long read a letter of support for the Board's reauthorization process from Chris Adams, President of Engaged Public. Engaged Public conducted the first phase of the reauthorization process.

She distributed a hard copy of the 2014 annual report to Board members.

Peg mentioned she met with the bill drafter and lobbyist to layout a schedule for getting the bill written.

4. Resolution 15-22 Pertaining to Honoring Diane Newcom

The Board read Resolution 15-22: Pertaining Honoring Diane Newcom. Peggy Lehmann motioned for approval. Lynn Jeffers seconded. The motion to accept the resolution passed. Diane thanked the Board and expressed how proud she is to have been part of the Colorado Children's Chorale and the SCFD Community.

5. Tier II Certification Reports

A representative from each organization spoke for three minutes highlighting their organization followed by Board questions.

Lone Tree Arts Center, Lisa Rigsby Peterson, Executive Director
Colorado Children's Chorale, Meg Steitz, Incoming Executive Director
Butterfly Pavilion, Patrick Tennyson, President and CEO
Denver Film Society, Tom Botelho, Executive Director
Colorado Mountain Club, Scott Robson, Executive Director
Aurora Cultural Services Division, Debra A Collins, Senior Management Analyst
Opera Colorado, Greg Carpenter, General Director
Colorado Ballet, Mark Hough, Managing Director
Children's Museum of Denver, Mike Yankovich, President and CEO
Lakewood Heritage, Culture and the Arts, Michelle Nierling, Manager
Mizel Museum, Melanie Pearlman, Executive Director
Colorado Symphony, Christina Carlson, Vice President of Development
Mizel Arts and Culture Center, Steve Wilson, Executive Artistic Director
Art Students League of Denver, Rachel Basye, Executive Director
Museum of Contemporary Art Denver, Adam Lerner, Director and Chief Animator

The Board members thanked the organizations for their service to the community. Board members asked a variety of questions including the types of schools served, financial health, tracking attendance, board management, collaborations and details on programming.

Resolution 15-23 Pertaining to Organizations Qualifying for 2015 Tier II Formula and Discretionary Funding - Dan Hopkins read the resolution. Damon O. Barry motioned for approval. Hal Logan seconded. The motion to accept the resolution passed.

6. Public Comment

A number of people spoke on behalf of FACE (Friends of Arts & Cultural Equity):


- Brian Colonna, Buntport Theatre, spoke regarding the resolution FACE is asking people to support.
- Robert Nunez, Parker Symphony and Denver Concert Band, spoke regarding the organizations that are supporting the FACE resolution.
- Erin Rollman, Buntport Theatre, spoke about the growth of organizations.
- Stella Yu, Friends of Art Street, spoke about the diversity at Tier III.
- Jena Dickey, Young Voices of Colorado, spoke about building strong voter support.
- Susan Honstein, FACE Chair, asked the Board to consider changing SCFD allocations over the years 2018-2030 resulting in 50% for the Tier I organizations, 30% for the Tier II organizations and 20% for the Tier III organizations.

Dan Hopkins told the group if they submit in writing a plan detailing how their proposal would work the Board would read it. Similar ideas presented by FACE were considered by the Board prior to accepting the Task Force recommendations.

James McNamee, Douglas County resident, encouraged the Board to think outside the box and do something that has not been done in the past, fund the smaller organizations at a greater level.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4pm.


Secretary