



## GIG HARBOR ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

**DATE:** July 8, 2014  
**TIME:** 10:07 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** Executive Conference Room  
**SCRIBE:** Molly Towslee  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Charlee Glock-Jackson, Martha Reisdorf, Laura Bethke, Deborah Grady, and Janine Miller.  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Molly Towslee

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### *Call to Order / Roll Call*

Leonard Hill was excused. Tracy von Trotha not present.

### *Old Business*

#### 1. WORK PLAN

##### DISCUSSION

Chair Glock-Jackson explained that the work plan shows what we hope to accomplish this year and has been submitted the Parks Commission and Public Works Committee, then approved by the City Council. There were no further comments.

#### 2. MENTORING PROGRAM

##### DISCUSSION

Vice-Chair Reisdorf said the Student Art Mentoring program (SAM) was in limbo. Clerk Towslee explained that no artistic benches would be accepted by the city due to safety and liability concerns. If the program wants to move forward with benches, then private property would need to be found for placement. In addition, if this project is to be run through the arts commission, then there would need to be a formal call for artists.

##### RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP:

The group further discussed finding a partner to support the project, and explore possible grant opportunities. The subcommittee (Reisdorf/Miller/Grady) will meet to work out the details and bring back a proposal at the September meeting. Janine Miller offered to help write the grant.

### *Approval of Minutes (moved from beginning of meeting)*

Approval of June 10, 2014 GHAC Minutes as presented: (Reisdorf / Miller – unanimously approved)

#### 3. WORKSHOP UPDATE

##### DISCUSSION

Chair Glock-Jackson reported that Leonard has been in contact with the presenter and they are moving forward with a workshop in October in the Civic Center Community Rooms.

4. WISH FISH PROJECT

DISCUSSION

Laura Bethke reported that she was the only one to show up for the first meeting with Joe Flack from Midday Rotary Club. She said this appears to be a long-term future project and she will present updates as they come about. She said she will help out with the SAM Project in the meantime.

5. MEMORY VESSEL

DISCUSSION

Chair Glock-Jackson reported that the "Memory Vessel" will be placed at the Bogue Viewing Platform. As soon as the installation date is scheduled the Arts Commission will be notified.

*New Business*

1. CALL FOR ARTISTS – PEDESTAL PROGRAM

DISCUSSION

The group looked at photos of the artwork submitted by Sharon Feeny. They were very complimentary of the artwork and noted that a complimentary piece would be nice.

Janine Miller stressed the need for GHAC participation of public art. Chair Glock-Jackson presented a brief history of the State's 1% for Art program and how the GHAC wasn't involved much with the Mussel Beach art piece.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP:

Chair Glock-Jackson offered to call the artist to ask if there was a partner/complimentary piece. If so, both will be considered for approval at the September meeting.

2. MATRIX FOR PLACEMENT OF ARTWORK ON CITY PROPERTY

DISCUSSION

Clerk Towslee gave a brief overview of the process of placing art in the city and addressed questions.

3. 3-D ART & TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP

DISCUSSION

Janine Miller said she is starting a free, five-week class on 3-D printing at the Pierce County Library starting July 16<sup>th</sup>. She said she could ask for an artist-specific class if the GHAC would support and sponsor such a workshop.

MOTION: Move that the GHAC sponsor a 3-D Arts & Technology Workshop this winter as presented.

Bethke / Reisdorf – unanimously approved.

4. Art at the Maritime Pier.

Vice-Chair Reisdorf asked if the Arts Commission should make an effort to move forward with a piece of art for the pier considering it's on the work plan and there are permits in place. The group discussed options. As the first step, it was recommended that Clerk Towslee draft a letter, with Lita Dawn Stanton's assistance, to present to the Public Works Committee to make sure there is support. A recommendation was made to only ask for \$50,000 to leave some funds in case the Arts Commission wants to purchase pedestal art.

MOTION: Move to direct staff to draft a letter for the next Public Works Committee meeting to ask for \$50,000 of the money in the GHAC Capital Fund to go towards purchase and installation of an art piece at the Maritime Pier.  
Grady / Miller – unanimously approved.

*Public Comments* None.

*Public Announcements and Other Business*

Commissioners were encouraged to solicit interested parties in applying to serve on the Arts Commission.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Miller / Bethke 11:40 a.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, **September 9, 2014.**