Albuquerque Public Art Program
Cultural Services Department

ALBUQUERQUE ARTS BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, February 20th, 2019 4:00 p.m.
Room 7096, 7th Floor, DMD Conference Room
One Civic Plaza, NE
Albuquerque, NM 87103

Members Present
Bill Sabatini, Board Chair, Member-at-large
Aliana Wiwi, Dist. 5
Mary Rios, Dist. 3
Jonathan Sanchez, Dist. 1
Woody Duncan, Dist. 4
Charlotte Schoenmann, Dist. 8
Peg Cronin, Member-at-Large
Dorothy Stermer, Vice Chair, Dist. 9
Juli Hendren, Dist. 2
Emilie De Angelis, Dist. 7

Staff Present
Sherri Brueggemann, Division Manager
Dan Fuller, Collection Manager
Matt Carter, Project Coord.
Francesca Searer, Project Coord.
Jessica Montoya, Content Contractor
Jackie Behrens, UNM Arts Leadership and Business, Intern

Guests
Hakim Bellamy, Deputy Director, CSD
Cassandra Reid, Executive Director, ALMA
Vanessa Alvarado, Lead Artist, ALMA
Margarita Paz-Pedro, Operations Director and Lead Artist, ALMA

I. Meeting Called to Order: at 4:00 pm by Chair B. Sabatini.

II. Approval of the Agenda: S. Brueggemann suggested moving ALMA to the top of Reviews and Approvals and asked to make a time to introduce J. Behrens, an UNM intern working with the program for the semester and to postpone the Rail Yards Artists Selection. M. Rios motioned to accept the changes and approve the agenda. D. Stermer seconded. All approved.

III. Election of Arts Board Chair and Vice-Chair: Both the new Arts Board Chair and Vice Chair were, more or less, voted in by acclamation. P. Cronin nominated D. Stermer to become the new Chair. The board all commented on how impressed they were with her hard work and think that she would be a great chair. D. Stermer accepted. All approved. C. Schoenmann expressed interest in becoming Vice-Chair. All approved.

IV. Approval of the Minutes from December 19th, 2018: J. Hendren motioned to approve the
minutes, C. Schoenmann seconded. All approved.

V. Adoption of the Open Meetings Act Resolution: S. Brueggemann reviewed the Open Meetings Act Resolution to the board and described the importance of adopting the resolution to follow the State of New Mexico Open Meetings Act requirement. C. Schoenmann motioned to adopt the Open Meetings Act Resolution. W. Duncan seconded. All approved.

VI. Public Comment: None.

VII. Introductions/ Reports:

A. Balloon Museum Exhibition Proposal- Introduction: S. Brueggemann introduced the Balloon Museum Exhibition and Purchase Award proposal, which would be similar in process and outcome to the Railyards Exhibit at SBCC. It would be a temporary exhibit hung on walls of the balloon museum, including a call for artist entries. After board discussion and enthusiastic support for the concept the board will vote at the next meeting.

VIII. Reviews and Approvals:

A. ALMA 2019-2020 Project Overview: ALMA reviewed the project and broadly discussed how they plan to implement community involvement to the MLK public art memorial. Cultural Services Deputy Director, H. Bellamy spoke on behalf of the City, and how renovating this piece could create a safer and walkable area around One Central. He reported on the efforts committed to by other departments. S. Brueggemann mentioned that the original artist Jerome Meadows will be contacted about the project and asked to work with ALMA on the changes. S. Brueggemann reviewed the cost and how this will need to go to City Council for approval, due to the amount of the overall budget, of $96,988 to be funded – with $78,088 for the continuation of the West Complex of the Convention Center, and $18,900 to begin community engagement for the MLK site. P. Cronin motioned to approve the project. W. Duncan seconded. All approved.

B. Appointment of Standing Committees: The board volunteered for several Standing Committee assignments as follows: Governance- D. Stermer- Chair, C. Schoenmann- Vice Chair, P. Cronin and M. Rios- Third and Fourth Members. Veteran’s Memorial Committee Representative- C. Schoenmann. Unsolicited Proposal Committee- E. De Angelis- Chair, J. Hendren, B. Sabatini, and D. Stermer. Mural Committee- J. Hendren- Chair, E. De Angelis, A. Wiwi, and J. Sanchez. Metro Youth Committee- M. Rios, W. Duncan, P. Cronin. Dia de los Muertos Committee- J. Sanchez, J. Hendren, E. De Angelis, and A. Wiwi. Garo Antreasian Committee- J. Sanchez- Chair, W. Duncan, D. Stermer, A. Wiwi, and E. De Angelis.

C. Review of Project Committees- reviewed current committees.

D. Metro Youth Gordon Church Purchase Award, Committee and Budget: M. Carter reviewed this year’s Metro Youth Exhibit and change of location. The board reviewed the budget, of $500 for this year’s purchase award and D. Stermer motioned to approve the budget and delegate selection authority to the Committee to be ratified by the Board at the March meeting. P. Cronin seconded. All approved.

E. Garo Antreasian Tamarind Purchase Award, Committee and Budget: S.
Brueggemann reviewed the partnership Public Art shares with the Tamarind Institute, and the Purchase Award concept in memory of the late Garo Antreasian who played a large role at Tamarind Institute and local art community. E. De Angelis motioned to approve the purchase award and budget of $2,500 annually. J. Sanchez seconded. All approved.

F. City Hall Lobby Mural-Artist Selection: J. Sanchez reviewed the committee’s artist choice for the City Hall Lobby Mural, which is Karl Hoffman. The committee truly enjoyed all of the final submissions, but felt this proposal best fit the location. S. Brueggemann acknowledged that Committee’s interest, in recommending that staff and/or the Board to try to find additional locations for the other proposals and perhaps contributing funds towards the murals, but noted that it would need to be put on a future agenda for discussion. W. Duncan motioned to approve the artist selection, with previously approved budget of $15,000. C. Schoenmann seconded. All approved.

G. Sawmill Sculpture-Artist Selection: D. Fuller reviewed the Sawmill project and the committee’s recommended artist selection, Thomas Sayre. T. Sayre will be placed on a $30,000 design contract and followed by the full commission contract upon approval of the artist’s final project proposal to be developed in collaboration with the Art Selection Committee and Sawmill Stakeholders. B. Sabatini mentioned the quality of work the committee reviewed, and is excited to see what this artist will present. A. Wiwi motioned to approve the artist selection. D. Stermer seconded. All approved.

H. Railyards SBCC Purchase Award- Artists Selection- Postponed

IX. Announcements/ Ongoing Project Updates:
   A. Chair’s Announcements: N/A
   B. Board Announcements: W. Duncan will have work in Sumner Dean’s Gallery and will send out the information to the board. A. Wiwi will have some of her drawings in the UNM Undergrad Juried show from March 18-30. Each will send additional information to the board about their respective at exhibitions.

   C. Project Updates- Review of Projects List: N/A
   D. Events/ Dedications: S. Brueggemann noted that the staff is willing to set up an additional public art site tour for those members of the Board who were unable to attend the previous week’s site tour. A scheduling poll will be sent out soon. S. Brueggemann circulated a card for Board Member, Meghan Ferguson Mraz.

X. New Business: None.

XI. Next Regular Meeting: March 20th, 2019

XII. Adjourn: Chair, B. Sabatini adjourned the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Sherri Brueggemann, Public Art Urban Enhancement Division Manager
Approved: [Signature]
Dorothy Stermer, Chair

Date: Dec. 18, 2019