



Hamilton

**MINUTES**  
**ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION**

September 25, 2018  
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Visitor Information Centre**  
Lister Block, 28 James Street N.

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Chair: Monika Ciolek Recorder: Ken Coit

Present: Elena Balaska, Christine Braun, Sara Dickinson, Patricia LeClair, Ray Rivers

Absent with Regrets: Councillor Terry Anderson, Kyle Skinner and Peter Malysewich

**1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

MOVED: Ray Rivers

SECOND: Sara Dickinson

**THAT** the July 24, 2018 Meeting Minutes be approved.

**CARRIED**

**4. CONSENT ITEMS**

None.

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

None

## 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 6.1 Committee Recruitment 2018-2022

Members reviewed the Terms of Reference Arts Advisory Commission 2015 at the request of the City Clerk for use in AAC recruitment in 2019.

MOVED: Elena Balaska

SECOND: Patricia LeClair

THAT under section 1. Membership of the Terms of Reference Arts Advisory Commission 2015 Item 1.4 be added as follows: Membership is to reflect the cultural diversity of the City and that the and the title be updated to 2018 and the document forwarded to the City Clerk.

**CARRIED**

### 6.2 2019 Budget Request Report

This was approved at the last meeting. Ken Coit notes that a staff report will be created and it will be submitted to the first appropriate GIC committee agenda in the new Council term.

### 6.3 Review of the Updated Advisory Committee Procedural Handbook.

Copies of the updated document were provided to the Commission in hard copy and via e-mail. Revisions to attendance and that if 3 meeting are missed members may be subject to replacement.

### 6.4 Hamilton Arts Awards Steering Committee Update

- Sara Dickenson has now joined the committee to replace Kyle Skinner as the AAC representative.
- The awards event will take place on the evening of Thursday June 13, 2019 at Theatre Aquarius. The date has been moved back one week to act as the informal launch event for the Arts Council's Arts Week program which will begin on June 14.
- The Call for Nominations will go out in early November and will close in February.
- The committee will be focussing on outreach to the dance and performing arts community as there were no nominations in this category in 2018.
- Staff will share the call for nominations information with AAC members as soon as it is available

- Cobalt Connects was the successful bidder for the RFP to assist with implementation of the program in 2019, renewable for 2020 and 2021
- A full review of the program is planned for 2020 pending budget approval.
- AAC members noted that there is a need to better represent the local fashion sector at the awards.

6.5 Arts Funding Sub-Committee Update

Patricia LeClair met with Tourism and Culture staff and will be arranging a meeting with staff in the Grants and Strategic Partnerships Section to discuss arts funding, fairness to all stream and key messages about program successes that can be shared with the public and as part of the AAC's presentation to Council. These will be shared with staff to be included in the draft Powerpoint slides to be discussed and approved at the November AAC meeting

6.6 Big Picture Sub-Committee Update

Christine Braun updated the AAC on a meeting with Annette Paiement of the Hamilton Arts Council.

She noted the event listing service being managed by the Arts Council called Hamilton Rising. <https://hamiltonrising.com/>

The group discussed an AAC outreach event as part of Arts Week relating to identifying solutions to three major themes identified in the Big Picture 2017 Report.

MOVED: Elena Balaska

SECOND: Patricia LeClair

**THAT** the Big Picture Sub-Committee develop detailed plans and budgets for an outreach event related to three themes identified in the Big Picture 2017 Report to be part of Hamilton Arts Week and report back to November AAC meeting.

**CARRIED**

**7. NOTICES OF MOTION**

None

**8. MOTIONS**

None

**9. OTHER BUSINESS**

9.1 CBC Panel discussion on the arts in Hamilton (September 18)

AAC members shared their concern that neither the Arts Council nor an AAC representative were consulted nor invited to be part of the Panel.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

MOVED: Sara Dickinson                      SECOND: Christine Braun

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**