Brian Athens City Commission on Disabilities

Education and Outreach Committee Minutes

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Virtually via Zoom hosted by The Government Channel

Present: Carolyn Lewis, Co-Chairperson Rose Dikis Samorra Dower

jw Smith

CALL TO ORDER

Carolyn Lewis called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 12, 2021 minutes (No February meeting; lack of quorum.)

Motion to approve made by Rose; second by jw. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- Reviewed 2021 Goals
- Finalized process for Athena Award II design selection. Motion by Rose to accept Mr. Luke Hawk's design; second by Samorra. He is a graduate of the OHIO College of Fine Arts with a major in Sculpture. Representatives from the art community will work with Mr. Hawk and the Committee to refine his submission. Carolyn will make contacts.
- Determine next oral history interview. Tabled until the next meeting. (First produced history with Dr. Joe Berman and Berry Dilley is on YouTube.)
- Start developing a plan for the Commission's Speakers' Bureau. The Committee is seeking as many Commissioners as possible who will speak to civic and other groups last summer and early fall.

NEW BUSINESS

• Opportunities for collaboration with other Commission Committees

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next meeting April 13, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn made by Samorra; second by jw. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Minutes – Carolyn Lewis

Goals for 2021

- Determine if we need to revise any language of the Athena Award criteria
- Select a panel from the local art community to select the new Athena Award design
- Oversee production of the Award
- Continue Oral History Project (conduct at least four additional interviews)
- Continue and expand speaking engagements to civic groups and to other organizations to educate about the Commission-Develop a Speakers' Bureau
- Expand outreach activities
- Produce Seventh Athena Award Ceremony for November
- Work with Communications Committee to promote Awards (nomination process and ceremony)