



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting
March 2, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the board chair, Glinda Townsley.

Moment of Silence Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Gilbert Lenchus, Jennifer Martinez-Bre, Myrurgia (Maggie) Pichardo, Carole Simmons, Maxine Simson, Glinda Townsley

Absent: Aura Lopez

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

City Staff: Amy Jean-Baptiste, Assistant Director of Leisure Services

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on February 2, 2023 was made by Maggie Pichardo and seconded by Gilbert Lenchus. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

Past Events - January Participation Numbers:

- Outdoor Movie- Happy Gilmore- The Bridges at Springtree- 75
- Tunes and Trucks- City Park- Hip-Hop/Top 40- 500 in attendance. Glinda Townsley shared that she liked the entertainer's interaction with the crowd. She suggested them for the Cultural Festival.
- Woofstock- Pawgrass at Welleby Park- 1,700
- Fishing Derby- Welleby Park- 97 families
- Taste of Sunrise- 500 (sold out)- Carole Simmons shared that the vendors were kind and didn't rush anyone. Ms. Simmons didn't think the live music inside was needed as it was difficult hearing them in the crowd.
- Theatre show- Rumpelstiltskin- 20
- Lyrical Lounge- 30
- Art Gallery Open reception- (Multiple artists) 70
- Soca Step- City Park- 265
- Theatre show- "The Play That Goes Wrong"- 2 shows - 431 tickets sold. Maggie Pichardo shared that it was a very funny show.

New Business

Art Gallery Exhibit- Kevin Pickard explained that the Art Gallery Exhibit this month is tied into the upcoming Comic Con event and will feature multiple artists. The guest speaker, artist George Moss, joined by his father Robert Moss, spoke about their family company of fashion technical design and illustrations. They strongly believe in educating youth to help develop their skills with art and fashion.

Upcoming Special Events

- 3/4- Comic Con- 11am at Civic Center
- 3/11- Safety Expo/ Classic Car Show- 10am-1pm at Welleby Park- Free Admission
- 3/17- Tunes & Trucks - 6pm at Civic Center- Tom Sartori (Top 40)
- 3/25- Earth Day Festival- 10am-1pm at Sawgrass Sanctuary- Free Admission
- 4/1- Royal Egg Hunt- 10am-1pm at Sportsplex - \$5 (12& U)

Upcoming Theatre Shows/Programs

- Mean Girls-High School Edition- 3/11, 2pm & 7pm and 3/12, 2pm- \$20 Reserved Seating
- Piano Men- 3/20, 7pm- \$30 Reserved Seating
- The Savannah Sipping Society- 3/25, 7pm and 3/26, 2pm- \$20 Reserved Seating

Board Discussion

Glinda Townsley asked if there was information about a meeting regarding the old Church site on the eastside. Kevin Pickard shared that a developer is having a community meeting to get feedback from residents regarding a plan for the site.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Maxine Simson and seconded by Gilbert Lenchus. The motion passed without opposition.

Transcribed by: _____
Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary