



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting
January 4, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Leisure Services Director, Kevin Pickard.

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Gilbert Lenchus, Aura Lopez, Myrurgia (Maggie) Pichardo, Carole Simmons, Glinda Townsley

Absent: Jennifer Martinez-Bre, Maxine Simson

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

City Staff: Sean Todd, Recreation Supervisor, Cultural Arts

Oath of Office

Deputy City Clerk Meryl Girard administered the Oath of Office to the board members and reviewed some of the Sunshine Laws.

Open Discussion

Introduction of 2024 Board Members

Kevin Pickard welcomed the 2024 board, stated that he was happy to see all members returning for this year.

Selection of Board Officers

Glinda Townsley and Aura Lopez were selected as Chair and Vice-chair respectively. As the board's Chair, Glinda Townsley assumed the role of moderator for the rest of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on December 7, 2023 was made by Gilbert Lenchus and seconded by Maggie Pichardo. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

Kevin Pickard shared the participation numbers for recently held special events:

- 2/8- Grinchmas Family Dance- **101**
- 12/9- Sunrise Arts & Crafts Festival- **2,400** / Winter Wonderland- **2,604**

Sean Todd shared the participation numbers for recently held theatre shows and programs:

- The Nutcracker Ballet- 4 shows- total- **928**

Aura Lopez attended the ballet and shared that the dancers were excellent. She shared a concern for young children hanging over the 2nd floor balcony. Sean Todd thanked her for making him aware for future events. Carole Simmons suggested possibly having a show just for children.

- Disney's The Little Mermaid- presented by Broadway Kids Studio- 3 shows- **633**
- Christmas with the Ricardos- **128**
- The Grinch: Family movie and Meet & Greet- **128**

New Business

Public Art Survey- Board members used their phones to fill out the survey online. City staff appreciates all feedback in planning public art display throughout the City. Board members were asked to share the information and encourage others to complete the survey.

MLK Events- Sean Todd reviewed the schedule of events that included the Art Gallery exhibit and meet & greet with the artist Tracy Guiteau and a Motown Tribute concert.

Cultural Arts Update- Sean Todd spoke about upcoming shows and programs being planned in the division.

Upcoming Theatre Shows and Programs

- 1/7, 2pm- Dance Factory Kids show- General admission: \$7
- 1/19, 7pm- Lyrical Lounge- Theatre- Free monthly teen Open Mic
- 1/27, 8pm, 1/28, 1pm & 5:30pm- Freaky Friday the Musical (Inside Out Theatre), reserved seating: \$20
- 2/3, 2pm & 7pm- Terms of Endearment (Curtain Call Playhouse), reserved seating: \$20
- 2/4, 2pm, Disney's The Jungle Book Kids (Inside Out Theatre), reserved seating: \$20

Upcoming Special Events

- 1/5, 6:30pm- Drive-in Movie- the Super Mario Bro.- Markham Park- Free admission
- 1/13 and 1/14- MLK Celebration
- 1/19, 7pm- Tunes & Trucks- The Rock Show- Oscar Wind Park, Food trucks open at 6pm
- 1/20, 10am- 1pm- City Hall Grand Opening

Board Discussion

Gilbert Lenchus asked about the fence repair program and where the refund/rebate comes from. Kevin Pickard responded that it is a City program and he can submit all the information on the City's website.

Adjournment

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

Transcribed by: _____
Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary