



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board

May 2, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Sunrise Civic Center Community Room

Call to Order

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

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

City Staff: Sean Todd, Recreation Supervisor, Cultural Arts

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on April 4, 2024 was made by Maggie Pichardo and seconded by Maxine Simson. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

Past Special Events

- 4/5, 9am-12pm- World Health Day- SAC- 300 attendees/45 vendors
 - 4/6- 10am-1pm- Earth Day- Sawgrass Sanctuary- 1,600
- Gilbert Lenchus shared that the layout was great and he enjoyed the event.

- 4/12, 6-9pm- Tunes 'N Trucks- Soul Circus Cowboys- SAC- 800

The concerts continue to do well at the different parks.

- 4/13, 10am-12pm- Autism Swims- Civic Center Pool- 55
- 4/19, 7-9pm- Special Populations Spring Fling Dance- 94 participants/44 family members
- 4/20, 8am- SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION- Civic Center- 600 registered, 60 waiting list
- 4/27, 11am-2pm- Community Resource Fair- City Park- 1,200 attendees/55 vendors

Jennifer Martinez-Bre shared that it was difficult to hear the entertainment on the stage from where the vendors were placed.

Past Theatre Shows and Programs

- 4/5, 6-9pm- Art Gallery Reception- Civic Center Art Gallery- 65
- 4/17, 6:30pm- Louder than a Bomb Florida Indy Finals- Civic Center Theatre- 73
- 4/18, 7pm- Douglas, (rhythmic and romantic bolero songs)- 106
- 4/21, 2pm- The Three Mess-Keteers- (funny, educational children's show)- 46
- 4/26, 6-9pm- Theatre/Art Gallery- 15 performers
- 4/27, 7pm- Brazilian Voices: Jazz Across Cultures- 189

Jennifer Martinez-Bre enjoyed the show, Maxine Simson stated that it was a happy, family-friendly event and the Jazz Combo was incredible.

New Business

Cultural Arts Staff- Sean Todd introduced Jennifer Ginn, Recreation Specialist for Cultural Arts. Jennifer shared information about herself, noting that she started with the City as a Seasonal Counselor. She was recently promoted from her previous Recreation Leader position, working in the Theatre Box Office. In her

current role, Jennifer serves as the lead for Art Gallery receptions, overseeing set up, break down and matching food items with exhibition themes. She is also responsible for scheduling theatre rentals, theatre classes and hopefully in the future, the banquet facility.

Upcoming Special Events

- 5/10, 6-9pm, Tunes 'N Trucks- Havoc 305- Sportsplex
- 5/11, 8:30am-3pm- Champions of Chess- SAC Multipurpose Building
- 5/27, 9am- Memorial Day Ceremony- Civic Center Theatre

Upcoming Theatre Shows and Programs

- 5/4, 8pm & 5/5, 1pm & 5:30pm- Disney's Newsies Jr. (Inside Out Theatre)- Reserved seating \$20
- 5/18, 7pm & 5/19, 1pm & 6:30pm- Into the Woods (Inside Out Theatre)- Reserved seating \$20
- 5/30, 7pm- Celebration of Ballet- Reserved seating \$35
- 5/31, 7pm- Lyrically Speaking: Voices in Time (bluapple Poetry Network)- General admission- FREE

Board Discussion

Gilbert Lenchus suggested The Little Shop of Horrors for a future interactive movie.

Aura Lopez asked about the upcoming pool parties being held in the City. Kevin Pickard responded that as the summer season approaches, the City hosts a "Pool Party" at each satellite pool in an effort to inform neighborhood residents that the pools are opening. Music and food will be supplied for attendees.

Carole Simmons asked if the upcoming shows advertised on the current Theatre flyer are only for children. Sean Todd responded that the flyer is one of several flyers currently being disseminated. The flyer in question highlights a few shows geared towards children, but the shows are for all ages to enjoy.

Glinda Townsley asked how she could obtain a replacement garbage can for her home. She was given the Leisure Services reception phone number and staff can re-direct her call to the appropriate department.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jennifer Martinez-Bre and seconded by Gilbert Lenchus. The motion passed without opposition.

Transcribed by: _____
Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary