LAH Public Art Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes

Meeting Time: Thursday April 08 2019 at 6:00 PM
Meeting Place: Parks and Recreation Building
26379 Fremont Road
Los Altos Hills, CA 94022

1. Call to Order occurred at 6 pm
   Committee Members Present: Nicole Andrews, Robyn Aber, Diane Brauch, David Milgram and Stacey Newman
   Committee Members Absent: Farah Tabatabai
   Associate Member Present: Gail Solomon
   Associate Member Absent: Kjell Karlsson
   In Attendance: George Tyson, Town Councilmember/ PAC liaison to Town Council

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting from March 11, 2019 were approved.
   Robyn moved for the March minutes to be approved; Nikki seconded it.
   Unanimous approval. Motion passed.

3. Presentations from the Floor
   David informed us of a conversation he had with Karen Druker.
   1) Karen wanted to inform the PAC that Sierra Azul Nursery in Watsonville has a huge sculpture show going on June through October should we want to see it.
   2) Karen suggested PAC approach the Los Altos Community Foundation for funding. Gail presented this idea before the LAH Town Council months ago only to be told not to pursue LACF.

   Gail mentioned that the Oshman Family JCC currently has works by Edo Rosenberg on display until May 31st.

   Nikki shared with PAC that Lorna and Jill Watt, AKA the Yarn Bombing Sisters, are currently doing street art in San Francisco. These artists knit designs and put their designs on trees.

   Nikki informed us that Runnymede Farm in Woodside has some fantastic sculptures on its property.

4. Status of Open Items
A. Digital Art/Online Gallery Update
Portfolios of artists who will appear on the website were viewed and approved at the March PAC meeting. Robyn sent acceptance letters to those approved artists. Two artists responded. Robyn has followed up with emails to those artists. One will post their art on the Town’s digital gallery in mid-April, another in mid-May.

**Action Item:** Robyn will talk with Mee-Ching Ng to learn if there is a counter to gather analytics on site views on the digital art website and inform PAC accordingly.

Robyn mentioned that the Town Crier ran an article in their paper on LAH’s digital gallery and a call for artists two weeks ago. This was the second time they ran this piece. Artists did respond to the inquiry.

B. Planned PAC Presence at Earth Day (4/14): Schedule and Materials
The Public Art Committee organized materials for use on Earth Day. These include a poster of art on LAH public land, a banner for the table identifying PAC, flyers that promote what PAC does and seed handouts to distribute that day. The schedule follows:
- **Morning:** Kjell will bring a table and chairs for PAC to use at Earth Day. David will see that Gail receives all necessary materials, including a sign up sheet for interested people to join PAC and tear sheets describing the digital gallery.
- **Gail** will work the 12 pm – 1 pm shift
- **Diane** will staff the table from 1 pm – 3 pm
- **Stacey** will be there from 2 pm – 4 pm

**Action Item:** David will remind Kjell to bring a table to the Earth Day event.

C. FC Program Competition for Artists- Update
Nikki contacted Jordan Fong, GID/Art Instructor at Foothill College. Jordan is interested in working with PAC but doesn’t have the bandwidth to lead any collaborative efforts. Foothill College has two art efforts: 1) Heritage Month, runs May to June in the library, where student art is exhibited and 2) National League for Innovation in the Community College, running fall to summer.

PAC discussed hosting a possible competition amongst Foothill College students. Most work done at FC is 2D, nothing large scale, not likely to lend itself to an outdoor display. Could space be found in Town Hall to showcase a student’s art? A competition could be designed once we see if space can be allocated to showcasing the winner’s art.

**Action Item:** Nikki will ask Daniella, the Town’s art curator, if space could be designated to showcase a student’s art.
Action Item: Nikki will begin drafting a proposal for a student competition.

D. Update on Karen Druker and her PAC Donation
Karen will make a gift of $100,000 to PAC with no naming stipulations. Karen wants PAC to identify a significant piece of art, identify the site to place it and get the Town Council on board.

Discussion of where to find a significant piece and where to place it ensued. The intersection of Old Snakey and Moody Road was suggested.

5. New/Continuing Business
Robyn is waiting to hear back from the Town’s civil engineer to approve placement of the proposed public art before going before the Town Council to propose buying it. PAC needs to get on the Town Council’s agenda to move this project forward. The Parks and Recreation Committee has already approved the art.

Action Item: David will write a note to Deborah Padovan, with a copy to liaison George Tyson, to put the proposal to acquire public art on the TC agenda.

6. Announcement of Next Meeting.
The next meeting of the Public Art Committee is Monday May 13, 2019.

7. Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by Stacey Newman and were approved at the May 13, 2019 regular Public Art Committee meeting.