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Virginia Beach Arts and Humanities Commission
Business Meeting
Thursday, December 7, 2023 / 5 p.m.
Sandler Center for the Performing Arts- Classroom 1 (2nd Floor)

BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

MISSION STATEMENT: To make Virginia Beach a great city, the Virginia Beach Arts and Humanities Commission is dedicated to integrating the arts and humanities, in their full ethnic and cultural diversity, into the fabric of everyday life. Toward this end, the Commission serves as an advisory and funding entity, stimulating and supporting excellence and accessibility in the arts and humanities for all citizens.

I. WELCOME

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. **ACTION:** November 2, 2023

III. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

- A. **ACTION:** November Treasurer's Report (Peoples)

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. 2023 AHC Holiday Social (Romero)
 - 1. 5:30 p.m. - Friday, December 22
 - 2. See attached invitation for details.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. FY24 Community Cultural Arts Grant (CCAG)
 - 1. Presentations
 - **ACTION:** Virginia Opera Association-\$2000
 - **ACTION:** VB Library Foundation-\$4000
 - 2. Next Deadline (Romero)
 - Round 3 Applications due Feb. 6, 2024 during March 21st Deliberations
 - Current available funding (before presentations): \$10,000
- B. City Task Force on Festivals Update (Labows)
- C. FY25 Project Grant Review
 - 1. Deliberation Discussion (Grube/Romero)
 - 2. Announce Workshop Dates: Virtual and In-person (Plate) (See attachment.)
 - 3. **ACTION:** Approval of FY25 Project Grant Application and Procedures (See Attachments.)



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VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Advertising & Marketing Committee
Committee Chair Sunny Peoples/Staff Liaison- Alex Dye
(See attached Marketing Report.)
- B. Advocacy Committee
Committee Chair – Sue Grube/ Staff Liaison–Emily Labows
- C. Champion for the Arts Committee
Committee Chair- Em Davis / Staff Liaison- Beth Hundley
 - 1. Nomination forms to be released in February 2024.
 - 2. Nomination Period: Feb. 1 – April 1
 - 3. Forms due April 1, 2024
- D. Cultural Equity Committee
Committee Chair–Olga Torres-Baker/ Staff Liaison–Hillary Plate
- E. Public Art Committee
Committee Chair Mia Guile/Staff Liaison - Emily Brookover

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

IX. FOUNDANT TECHNOLOGIES / SOFTWARE TUTORIAL

X. NEXT MEETING

- A. No January 2024 Meetings.
- B. February 1, 2024- Sandler Center/ 2nd floor
4 p.m.: Executive Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
5 p.m: Business Meeting (Classroom 1)

XI. ADJOURNMENT