



Friday, March 31, 2023 • 9:00 am – 5:30 pm
Sandler Center for the Performing Arts • Classroom 1

The FY24 Project Grant Deliberations Business Meeting of the Arts and Humanities Commission was held on Friday, March 31, 2023 at 9 am in Classroom 1 at the Sandler Center for the Performing Arts.

Commissioners Present:

- **OFFICER:** Susan C. Grube, Chair
- **OFFICER:** Brenda J. Roberts, Vice Chair
- **OFFICER:** Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary
- **OFFICER:** Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), Treasurer
- Michael Cloud Butler
- C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.
- Mia Guile
- Raeesah Islam
- Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples
- Cynthia Romero, MD
- Olga Torres-Baker

Cultural Affairs Department Staff Present:

- Emily S. Labows, Director (arrived late)
- Beth Hundley, Assistant Director
- Hillary L. Plate, Cultural Programs & Grants Coordinator
- Mari R. Coronado, Executive Assistant II

I. Call to Order and Welcome

Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair called the meeting to order at **9:00 am.**

II. New Business:

- a. Champion for the Arts: The deadline for nomination forms is Saturday, April 1st.
- b. AHC Photo Session: The City Photographer is onsite today to take photos of the Commission during the break and lunch sessions.
- c. FY23 Leadership and Organizational Development (LOD) Grant: FY23 funds are still available for the LOD Grant. The application deadline is April 18.

III. FY24 Project Grant Deliberations

a. Deliberations Process

- The Commission is to award applicants based on what they deserve, absent of any budget consideration. Budget revisions will be done afterwards.
- The assigned Commission Liaison will introduce their organization and make the initial funding recommendation to the Commission.

- Deliberations will take place in the order that presentations were scheduled on Thursday, March 30th.

1. Young Audiences of Virginia, Inc. (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Christine Everly, Anna Green
 Program: Arts + Learning Initiatives
 Funding Request: **\$10,000**
 Commission Liaison: Mr. Michael Cloud-Butler
 Initial Recommendation: \$7,570

Motion I.

A motion was made by *Mr. Michael Cloud-Butler*, seconded by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.* to approve funding of \$7,570 to Young Audiences of Virginia, Inc.

Discussion was initiated by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* for the Commission to be mindful of public perception of what is allocated to the organizations. She suggested a friendly amendment to increase funding to \$10,000, with flexibility to cut back. *Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair* concurred and reiterated for the Commission to deliberate on what funding the organization deserves.

Motion II.

An amended motion was made by *Mr. Michael Cloud-Butler*, seconded by *Ms. Olga Torres-Baker* and *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples* to approve funding of \$10,000 to Young Audiences of Virginia, Inc. There was no further discussion. **The motion passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$10,000 to Young Audiences of Virginia, Inc.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 10
 Member count voting **NAY:** 1
 Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

2. Virginia Musical Theatre, Inc. (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Chip Gallagher, Anthony Wayne Greet, Mark Hudgins, Martha McClees
 Program: VMT Presents its 32nd Season
 Funding Request: **\$125,000**
 Commission Liaison: Dr. Cynthia Romero
 Initial Recommendation: \$100,000

Motion III.

A motion was made by *Dr. Cynthia Romero*, seconded by *Ms. Olga Torres-Baker* to approve funding of \$100,000 to Virginia Musical Theatre, Inc. There was no discussion. **The motion passed *unanimously* to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$100,000 to Virginia Musical Theatre, Inc.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
 Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
 Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

3. Ballet Virginia International (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Suzanne Lownsbury, Janina Michalski, Hayley-Ann Vasco
 Program: Ballet VA requesting funds for 2023-24 season compromised of 4 productions

Funding Request: **\$50,000**

Commission Liaison: The Honorable Winship Tower (Ret.), Treasurer

Initial Recommendation: \$50,000

Motion IV.

A motion was made by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), Treasurer* seconded by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* to approve funding of \$50,000 to Ballet Virginia International. There was no discussion. **The motion passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$50,000 to Ballet Virginia International.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 10

Member count voting **NAY:** 1

Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

4. Virginia Beach Chorale (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Mike Ready

Program: Preservation of the choral art through diversification and community outreach/Year 2

Funding Request: **\$4,000**

Commission Liaison: Mr. Michael Cloud-Butler

Initial Recommendation: \$4,000

Motion V.

A motion was made by *Mr. Michael Cloud-Butler*, seconded by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.* to approve funding of \$2,000 to Virginia Beach Chorale. There was no discussion. **The motion passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$2,000 to Virginia Beach Chorale.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 10

Member count voting **NAY:** 1

Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

5. Mosaic Street Orchestra, Inc. (*New applicant-15-minute presentation)

Presenter: Brian Hunt

Program: Mosaic Academy

Funding Request: **\$10,000**

Commission Liaison: No Liaison Assigned

Initial Recommendation: \$5,000

Motion VI.

A motion was made by *Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair*, seconded by *Brenda J. Roberts, Vice Chair* to approve funding of \$5,000 to Mosaic Street Orchestra, Inc.

Discussion was initiated by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples* who pointed out that a work chart of staffing would be good to view as well as having the grant writer available for future presentations.

The motion passed *unanimously* to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$5,000 to Mosaic Street Orchestra, Inc.

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

6. The Governor's School for the Arts Foundation (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Deborah Thorpe
Program: Music of Peace
Funding Request: **\$5,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary
Initial Recommendation: \$4,000

Motion VII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary*, seconded by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples* to approve funding of \$3,000 to the Governor's School for the Arts Foundation.

Discussion was initiated by *Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary* stated that the Governor's School for the Arts (GSA) does a fantastic job promoting students into the arts. For example: Half of the students at Virginia Musical Theatre are from GSA. *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples* agreed and supported this statement. *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.* suggested full funding support of \$5,000.

The motion passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$4,000 to the Governor's School for the Arts Foundation

Member count voting **AYE:** 6
Member count voting **NAY:** 4
Member count **ABSTAINING:** 1

7. United Jewish Federation of Tidewater (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Todd Holcomb, Hunter Thomas
Program: Art + Ideas
Funding Request: **\$15,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples
Initial Recommendation: \$5,000

Motion VIII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples*, seconded by *Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary* to approve funding of \$5,000 to United Jewish Federation of Tidewater.

There was discussion about the \$5,000 Community Cultural Arts Grant they were previously awarded, but that request was to signify City of Virginia Beach support of their festival.

Motion IX.

An amended motion was made by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.*, seconded by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* to approve funding of \$10,000 to United Jewish Federation of Tidewater.

Discussion was initiated by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), Treasurer* who stated they should expand their communication as an attempt to appeal to a larger audience. More exposure would be better.

The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$10,000 to United Jewish Federation of Tidewater.

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

8. The Hurrah Players, Inc. (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Eileen Carpenter, Hugh Copeland, Trish Willbourne
Program: Virginia Beach Expansion 3
Funding Request: **\$35,000**
Commission Liaison: Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.
Initial Recommendation: \$35,000

Motion X.

A motion was made by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.*, seconded by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples* to approve funding of \$35,000 to The Hurrah Players, Inc. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$35,000 to The Hurrah Players, Inc.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

9. The Virginia Beach Art Center, Inc. (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Margaret Foltz, Maggie Kerrigan
Program: Fourteen Visual Aid Exhibitions
Funding Request: **\$22,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Brenda J. Roberts, Vice Chair
Initial Recommendation: \$22,000

Motion XI.

A motion was made by *Ms. Brenda J. Roberts, Vice Chair*, seconded by *Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary* to approve funding of \$22,000 to The Virginia Beach Art Center, Inc. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$22,000 to The Virginia Beach Art Center, Inc.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

10. Symphonicity (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Daniel W. Boothe, Lynette Andrews,
Program: Symphonicity's 2023-24 Series; Piano Perspective
Funding Request: **\$95,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary
Initial Recommendation: \$95,000

Motion XII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary*, seconded by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* to approve funding of \$95,000 to Symphonicity. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$95,000 to Symphonicity.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

11. Little Theatre of Virginia Beach (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: James Bryan, Kay Burcher, Sandy Lawrence
Program: Six Live Theatrical Productions
Funding Request: **\$27,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Mia Guile
Initial Recommendation: \$27,000

Motion XIII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Mia Guile*, seconded by *Ms. Brenda J. Roberts, Vice Chair* to approve funding of \$27,000 to Little Theatre of Virginia Beach. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$27,000 to Little Theatre of Virginia Beach.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

12. Zeiders American Dream Theater (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Terry Flint, Sibel Galindez
Program: The Z's Community Based Festivals
Funding Request: **\$60,000**
Commission Liaison: Dr. Cynthia Romero
Initial Recommendation: \$60,000

Motion XIV.

A motion was made by *Dr. Cynthia Romero*, seconded by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.* to approve funding of \$55,000 to Zeiders American Dream Theater. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$55, 000 to Zeiders American Dream Theater.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

13. WHRO (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Mike Diller, Jeff Fine, Heather Mazzone
Program: Curate
Funding Request: **\$5,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Raeesah Islam
Initial Recommendation: \$5,000

Motion XV.

A motion was made by *Ms. Raeesah Islam*, seconded by *Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary* to approve funding of \$5,000 to WHRO. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$5,000 to WHRO.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

14. Tidewater African Cultural Alliance (TACA) (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Rita Cohen
Program: African Cultural Education with TACA for Hampton Roads, VB School
Funding Request: **\$6,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Olga Torres-Baker
Initial Recommendation: \$6,000

Motion XVI.

A motion was made by *Ms. Olga Torres-Baker*, seconded by *Ms. Raeesah Islam* to approve funding of \$6,000 to Tidewater African Cultural Alliance (TACA). There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$6,000 to Tidewater African Cultural Alliance (TACA).**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

15. Teens With a Purpose (TWP) – The Youth Movement (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Diedre Love
Program: Hear this: Arts and Humanities for Youth
Funding Request: **\$26,007**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Mia Guile
Initial Recommendation: \$26,007

Motion XVII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Mia Guile*, seconded by *Ms. Brenda J. Roberts, Vice Chair* to approve funding of \$26,000 to Teens With a Purpose (TWP) – The Youth Movement. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$26,000 to Teens With a Purpose (TWP)–The Youth Movement.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

16. Virginia Symphony Orchestra (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Matthew Lawhead, Helen Martell
Program: VSO Programs & Services in Virginia Beach
Funding Request: **\$90,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair
Initial Recommendation: \$83,000

Motion XVIII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair*, seconded by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.* to approve funding of \$70,000 to Virginia Symphony Orchestra. There was no discussion.

The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$70,000 to Virginia Symphony Orchestra.

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

17. Access Virginia (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Angela Hill
Program: Accessibility Project
Funding Request: **\$6,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples
Initial Recommendation: \$3,000

Motion XIX.

A motion was made by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples*, seconded by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* to approve funding of \$3,000 to Access Virginia.

There was discussion of the Commission setting an AHC standard by showing support for programs helping the hearing impaired.

The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$3,000 to Access Virginia.

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

18. Virginia African American Cultural Center (VAACC) (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Dr. Amelia Ross-Hammond, Tamar Smithers
Program: VAACC 2024 Programming Series
Funding Request: **\$20,000**
Commission Liaison: Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.
Initial Recommendation: \$10,000

Motion XX.

A motion was made by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.*, seconded by *Ms. Brenda J. Roberts, Vice Chair* and *Ms. Emma "Em" Davis, Secretary* to approve funding of \$12,500 to Virginia African American Cultural Center (VAACC).

Discussion ensued regarding their capital campaign and the hope for them to expand their Board to gain more support for their campaign.

The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$12,500 to Virginia African American Cultural Center (VAACC).

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

19. ViBe Creative District (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Kate Pittman

Program: ViBe Creative District Public Art Project, Events & Marketing for FY24

Funding Request: **\$100,000**

Commission Liaison: Ms. Raeesah Islam

Initial Recommendation: \$90,000

Motion XXI.

A motion was made by *Ms. Raeesah Islam*, seconded by *Ms. Olga Torres-Bakert* to approve funding of \$80,000 to the ViBe Creative District.

Discussion ensued regarding the economic impact of the ViBe Creative District and the footprint it has made in Virginia Beach. Discussion focused on what funding is deserved rather than what was to be funded.

The motion passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$80,000 to the ViBe Creative District.

Member count voting **AYE:** 9
Member count voting **NAY:** 2
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

20. Virginia Stage Company (10-minute presentation)

Presenters: Kandis Hyde, Jeff Ryder

Program: Virginia Stage Company's Education and Community Engagement Programs

Funding Request: **\$5,000**

Commission Liaison: Ms. Raeesah Islam

Initial Recommendation: \$5,000

Motion XXII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Raeesah Islam*, seconded by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Philipps Peoples* to approve funding of \$5,000 to Virginia Stage Company. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$5,000 to Virginia Stage Company.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

21. Tidewater Arts Outreach (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Kate Powell
Program: Arts Outreach for Older & Isolated Adults
Funding Request: **\$15,000**
Commission Liaison: Ms. Olga Torres-Baker
Initial Recommendation: \$15,000

Motion XXIII.

A motion was made by *Ms. Olga Torres-Baker*, seconded by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.)*, *Treasurer* to approve funding of \$15,000 to Tidewater Arts Outreach. There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$15,000 to Tidewater Arts Outreach (TAO).**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

22. Virginia Arts Festival (10-minute presentation)

Presenter: Scott Jackson
Program: Virginia Arts Festival's 27th Season in Virginia Beach
Funding Request: **\$25,000**
Commission Liaison: The Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), *Treasurer*
Initial Recommendation: \$10,000

Motion XXIV.

A motion was made by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.)*, *Treasurer*, seconded by *Ms. Raeesah Islam* to approve funding of \$10,000 to Virginia Arts Festival (VAF). There was no discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve FY24 Project Grant Funding of \$10,000 to Virginia Arts Festival.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

IV. Lunch Break: 12:20 PM – 1:04 PM

V. Discussion

- a. Distribution List: The *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.)*, *Treasurer* made a request to be notified by the organizations of their upcoming events.
- b. Leadership & Organizational Development (LOD) Grants:
 - The deadline to submit applications for FY23 LOD Grant Funding is April 18 with AHC approval conducted during the May AHC Business Meeting.
 - The FY24 LOD Grant has \$4,500 allocated to support a total of (6) six \$750-LOD Grants.

- c. FY24 Project Grant funding support: To resolve being over-budget by \$93,000 in FY24 Project Grant funding, *Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair* proposed transferring \$2,250 from the FY24 LOD Grants line item to the FY24 Project Grant line item, increasing it from \$552,600 to \$554,850.

Motion XXV.

A motion was made by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), Treasurer*, seconded by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* to approve the Chair's proposal to transfer \$2,250 from the FY24 LOD Grant line item (equivalent to three LOD's) to the FY24 Project Grant Line item increasing the total allocation amount \$552,600 to \$554,850.

Discussion was initiated by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* to explore increasing funding for United Jewish Federation of Tidewater from \$5,000 to \$7,500 but withdrew the discussion to review more plausible budget options.

Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair explained the goal is for fairness to be consistent across the board. Unless voted by the Commission, no organization is to be funded more than they were awarded last year.

The *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), Treasurer* withdrew her motion.

Motion XXVI.

A motion was made by *Dr. Cynthia Romero*, seconded by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), Treasurer* to approve the transfer of \$2,250 from the FY24 LOD Grant line item (equivalent to three LOD's) to the FY24 Project Grant Line item, increasing the total allocation amount from \$552,600 to \$554,850.

Discussion was initiated by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples* requesting consideration of increasing the number of available FY24 LOD Grants.

Motion XXVII.

An amended motion was made by *Dr. Cynthia Romero*, seconded by *The Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.), Treasurer* to keep the FY24 LOD Grant line item as \$3,000 (equivalent to 4 LOD's) and transfer \$1,500 to the FY24 Project Grant line item.

Discussion was initiated by *Ms. Emily Labows, Director*, who announced that \$2,500 from the Champion for the Arts line item can be transferred to the FY24 LOD' Grant line item, if needed.

There was no further discussion. **The motion *unanimously* passed to approve the transfer of \$1,500 from the FY24 LOD Grant line item to the FY24 Project Grant line item, increasing the total allocation amount from \$552,600 to \$554,100.**

Member count voting **AYE:** 11
Member count voting **NAY:** Zero
Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

- d. Budget adjustments: Ms. Hillary Plate added the transferred \$1,500 amount to the FY24 Project Grant budget. Ms. Susan C. Grube, Chair then proposed the following budget adjustments:

Organization	Requested	Approved	Adjusted
Young Audiences of Virginia, Inc.	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$7,600
Virginia Musical Theatre, Inc.	\$125,000	\$100,000	\$94,000
Ballet Virginia International	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$44,000
Virginia Beach Chorale	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$0
Mosaic Steel Orchestra, Inc.	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
The Governor's School for the Arts Foundation	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
United Jewish Federation of Tidewater	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
The Hurrah Players, Inc.	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
The Virginia Beach Art Center, Inc.	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$20,000
Symphonicity	\$95,000	\$95,000	\$85,000
Little Theatre of Virginia Beach	\$27,000	\$27,000	\$25,000
Zeiders American Dream Theater	\$60,000	\$55,000	\$49,000
WHRO	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$4,000
Tidewater African Cultural Alliance	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
TWP - The Youth Movement	\$26,007	\$26,000	\$15,000
Virginia Symphony Orchestra	\$90,000	\$70,000	\$54,000
Access Virginia	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
Virginia African American Cultural Center	\$20,000	\$12,500	\$12,500
ViBe Creative District	\$100,000	\$80,000	\$65,000
Virginia Stage Company	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Tidewater Arts Outreach	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$14,000
Virginia Arts Festival	\$25,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
Total	\$756,007	\$646,500	\$554,100

Unanimous Vote

Motion XXVIII.

A motion was made by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.)*, Treasurer, seconded by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* to approve the adjusted budget changes noted above.

Motion XXIX.

An amended motion was made by *Dr. Cynthia Romero* for the following adjustment: Increase funding for United Jewish Federation of Tidewater from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and reduce funding for Symphonicity from \$85,000 to \$80,000, seconded by *Mr. C. Cheyney Cole, Jr.*

Dr. Cynthia Romero withdrew her motion.

Motion XXX.

A motion was made by the *Hon. Winship C. Tower (Ret.)*, Treasurer to approve the following budget adjustments: (1) keep funding for Symphonicity at \$85,000; (2) increase funding for United Jewish Federation of Tidewater to \$8,000; (3) reduce funding for Mosaic Steel Orchestra, Inc to \$4,000; (4) reduce funding for WHRO to \$3,000; (4) reduce funding for Teens With A Purpose (TWP) – The Youth Movement to \$14,000, seconded by *Dr. Cynthia Romero*.

Discussion was initiated by *Ms. Alicia "Sunny" Phillips Peoples*, stating that she does not support reducing funding for Mosaic Steel Orchestra, Inc. and Teens With a Purpose (TWP) – The Youth Movement. *Dr. Cynthia Romero* pointed out that both organizations would still get more funding than they received last year.

There was no further discussion. **The motion passed to approve the following budget adjustments: (1) keep funding for Symphonicity at \$85,000; (2) increase funding for United Jewish Federation of Tidewater to \$8,000; (3) reduce funding for Mosaic Steel Orchestra, Inc to \$4,000; (4) reduce funding for WHRO to \$3,000; (5) reduce funding for Teens With A Purpose (TWP) – The Youth Movement to \$14,000 which are all updated in the chart below:**


Organization	Requested	Approved	Adjusted
Young Audiences of Virginia, Inc.	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$7,600
Virginia Musical Theatre, Inc.:	\$125,000	\$100,000	\$94,000
Ballet Virginia International	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$44,000
Virginia Beach Chorale	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$0
Mosaic Steel Orchestra, Inc.	\$10,000	\$5,000	#3 \$4,000
The Governor's School for the Arts Foundation	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
United Jewish Federation of Tidewater	\$15,000	\$10,000	#2 \$8,000
The Hurrah Players, Inc.	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
The Virginia Beach Art Center, Inc.	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$20,000
Symphonicity	\$95,000	\$95,000	#1 \$85,000
Little Theatre of Virginia Beach	\$27,000	\$27,000	\$25,000
Zeiders American Dream Theater	\$60,000	\$55,000	\$49,000
WHRO	\$5,000	\$5,000	#4 \$3,000
Tidewater African Cultural Alliance	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
TWP - The Youth Movement	\$26,007	\$26,000	#5 \$14,000
Virginia Symphony Orchestra	\$90,000	\$70,000	\$54,000
Access Virginia	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
Virginia African American Cultural Center	\$20,000	\$12,500	\$12,500
ViBe Creative District	\$100,000	\$80,000	\$65,000
Virginia Stage Company	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Tidewater Arts Outreach	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$14,000
Virginia Arts Festival	\$25,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
Total	\$756,007	\$646,500	\$554,100

Unanimous Vote

Member count voting **AYE:** 8
 Member count voting **NAY:** 3
 Member count **ABSTAINING:** Zero

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **1:48 pm.**


 Called to order by:
 Ms. Susan C. Grube
 AHC Chair


 Minutes prepared by:
 Mari R. Coronado
 CAD Executive Assistant II

VII. No Attachments