



**Board Members Present:** Jannet Walker-Ford, Chair, Ann Carey, Ari Jolly, David Faliszek, Diana Donovan, Kemal Gasper, Karen Feagins, Kirsten Doolittle, Lisa Johnson, Ryan Ali

**Board Members Absent:** Sandra Hull-Richardson, Chris Lazzara, Kirsten Doolittle

**Legislative and City Council Liaisons Absent:** Audrey Gibson, Michael Boylan

**Staff Members Present:** Amy Palmer, Ellen Cottrill, Joy Young, Megan Reid, Ashante Williamson, Hilda Etedgui, Glenn Weiss

**Guests:** Talitha Mitchner, Dawn Brady

- A. Call to Order.....2:00 PM**  
Jannet Walker Ford called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM and called roll.
- B. Approval of Minutes (action).....2:04 PM**  
Ari Jolly made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Lisa Moore seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- C. Chair’s Report - Jannet Walker Ford.....2:06 PM**  
The board chair made her opening statements and addressed the Juneteenth history and current events involving racial inequality.
- D. Committee Chair Reports.....2:14 PM**
  - Executive Committee** - Jannet Walker Ford reviewed the recent executive committee highlights and the recent work of the executive director. The executive committee will be discussing the compensation of the executive director.
  - Development Committee** - Kemal Gasper gave an announcement on board dues, Arts Awards nominations, and Arts Awards sponsorships. Diana Donovan thanked the staff for their contributions. She then gave an update on how the board of directors can support through key points of contact and film B-roll for the Virtual Arts Awards and future representation. She then gave an overview for the Virtual Arts Awards.
  - Finance Committee** - Lisa Johnson announced that the organization has remained stable and employee salaries have returned to pre-COVID-19 status with the arrival of the Paycheck Protection Program. She also announced that discussions with the DIA have ended with the return of \$52,000 from the Public Art Fund. There may be new opportunities with the DIA and a new contract. She announced that the organization was approved for the EIDL for 8k with a 2.75% interest rate. The organization has declined this offer. The city has approved the rent waiver for the organization creating a savings of approximately \$7,000.
  - Governance Committee** - Ari Jolly announced that there will be an email for board member nominations and applications. She would like this done no later than July 14th, 2020. She would like to finalize the agenda for the board retreat. She has solidified a governance presentation from another firm pro bono, reaching out to the city for a presentation on ethics rules, and looking to develop a ¾ or a full day of meeting.

**E. Executive Director’s & Programs Report.....2:48 PM**

The board chair thanked the board and staff for their commitment and work.

**Joy Young** gave updates with strategic activities in three specific areas. She spoke about staff staying “safer at home” and staying productive. She announced that regarding next year’s budget, recent meetings with City Council members look to result in a positive outcome for the organization. She is looking ahead to the next fiscal year to create a balanced budget. The immediate past chair asked who next year’s city liaison is, the executive director announced that Leeanne Cumber is under consideration. The executive director spoke to the organization’s role in race and cultural equity and the role in the removal of the confederate monuments.

**Amy Palmer** gave updates on the grants programming. She gave accolades to the board members serving on the CSGP Committee and gave updates on new and returning members. She recognized delays with the City Council Rules Committee regarding approvals. The deadline for the applications will be June 24th, 2020 for the operating support or the program grant. Due to COVID-19, the organization has moved to support the grantees by bi weekly calls between the organizations. Council Member Boylan has been on many of these calls and has been very supportive. Board member Kirsten Doolittle will be on the call scheduled for June 19th, 2020. The organization has represented their sector through local and national sectors in advocacy efforts. The organization is also moving to provide emergency legislation for the CSGP programming due to postponement from the pandemic. The artist relief fund sponsored by Void Magazine and individually has successfully funded 23 artists in round one and 19 for the second round.

**Glenn Weiss** gave updates on the Public Art Program. He showed the current state of the Legends sculpture, and showed photos of the completed artwork in the new JTA center including 43 local artists. He has been working on the Duval County Courthouse Stakeholder’s Committee for the public art on the courthouse lawn. A call to artists will be announced in July, three finalists will be paid for a proposal and a final selection will be made in January.

**Ellen Cottrill** gave updates on programs and communications updates. She reviewed the Greater Jacksonville Artists Directory. Every Single Artist Lounge, Artist Workshops, fundraising, COVID-19 resource web page, newsletter, and videos for messaging for the arts.

**F. New Business.....3:50 PM**

A suggestion for a virtual conference for board members was made.

**G. Public Comment..... 3:55 PM**

No comment was made.

**H. Adjourn.....4:00 PM**

The board chair wrapped up the meeting with a review. Ari Jolly made a motion to adjourn, Lisa Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 3:51 PM.