MINUTES
Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville
Governance Committee Meeting
Friday, Jan. 13, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
Location: The Jessie/Remote

Present:
Members - Chair Lisa Johnson, Kirsten Doolittle, David Faliszek, Karen Feagins
Staff – Diana Donovan, Amy Palmer, Iris Benson

A. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by the chair, Lisa Johnson.

B. A motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2022 Governance Committee was made by Kirsten Doolittle, Seconded by David Faliszek. Motion carried.

C. Diana Donovan provided an update on Mayoral appointees to the board. The Mayor has appointed Ashley Folladori to the board. She is Vice President of Public Affairs at JAX Chamber. Folladori will replace Craig Shoup, who has been appointed to another city board.

D. Committee chair and committee member openings were reviewed, with noted inclusions of the three new board members and one new mayoral appointee. Diana Donovan noted that the work of the Strategic Planning Committee is getting underway.

E. There was a discussion about board attendance. According to the Cultural Council’s bylaws, a board member can be removed for have three unexcused board meeting absences in a fiscal year. The city’s attendance expectation is 76 percent attendance of scheduled meetings.

F. There are no openings for elected board members for FY2024 at this time. However, four elected members will complete their first terms at the end of FY2023 (David Faliszek, Karen Feagins, Lisa Johnson, Ari Jolly). Lisa Johnson will check-in with them about their experience thus far and confirm that they wish to continue for a second term on the board. It was noted that the two elected board members (Jennifer Brown and Matt Swanson) completing their pilot year on the board do wish to continue for first regular terms.
G. Amy Palmer presented a slate of nominees for appointment to the CSGP Committee and sought a motion of approval from the Governance Committee. Per ordinance requirements, the Cultural Council Board Chair and the CSGP Committee Chair have both approved, as well. A motion was made by Kirsten Doolittle and seconded by Karen Feagins to approve the nominations of board representatives Ari Jolly, Laura Schepis, and Ari Jolly and community representatives Amy Crane and Cory Driscoll to the CSGP Committee. The board will be asked to approve a similar motion at its January meeting, at which time the nominations will be forwarded to the Jacksonville City Council.

H. The following old and new business items were discussed:

   a. Governance Committee report for January board meeting was reviewed
   b. The Governance Committee considered a suggestion from Amy Palmer based on a board meeting discussion to require either CSGP or APP committee service of every board member (if the residency requirement is met). There seemed to be some hurdles around creating a requirement. Instead, it was suggested that a culture of serving be created, as well as, encouraging board members to attend committee meetings/hearings and attend CSGP offerings.
   c. Governance Committee FY2023 meeting schedule was reviewed
      - Thursday, May 6, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
      - Thursday, August 3, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
      - Thursday, Oct. 5, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

I. The Governance Committee will complete a review and update of the bylaws in 2023. A timeline for soliciting input from the Governance Committee and the board, through a survey, was developed. Lisa Johnson shared some of her initial feedback for revisions.

J. There was no public comment.

K. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.