



Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Date:		Monday, September 9, 2019		6:30 PM	
x indicates members attending					
	Joyce Bell	x	Dennis Gilbert		Suzanne Sirota-Waller
x	Danielle Barnhart	x	Chaya Schapiro	x	Carole Zika
x	Chelsea Bork	x	Liz Henzey	x	Doug Satteson
	Janet Brady		Barbara Herschman		<i>Staff:</i>
	Robert Coe		Marlene Jackson	x	Trudy Babchak
x	Janet Evans	x	Barbara Kellner	x	Monica Herber
x	Lynn Foehrkolb	x	Nicole Patterson	x	Donna Lonegro
x	Robyn Gavigan	x	Fidel Carey-Realmo	x	Christina McCleary

Time	Discussion
6:37 PM	Barbara Kellner, Advisory Committee Chair opened the meeting with Welcome The Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduction of four new Advisory Committee Members ● CA Board and Advisory Committee Member update on Art Center Renovation—Janet Evans ● Advisory Chair update-- July CA Board Meeting Art Center report —Barbara Kellner ● Youth and Daytime Program Update—Monica Herber ● Ceramics Department Update—Christina McCleary ● Gallery Show Update—Trudy Babchak ● Open House Update—Liz Henzey ● Signature Events Update—Liz Henzey and Trudy Babchak ● Questions/Topics—feedback from group at large
6:38 PM	Introduction of Advisory Committee newcomers Chelsea Bork, Art Enthusiast, Artist, Instructor Active with the Art Center Home School effort. Engaged in community activities. Participant in current faculty/student exhibit. Seven year Columbia Resident, mom and filled with energy for new ideas regarding the art community. Danielle Barnhart, Assistant to Associate Goucher College Provost, Artist Former assistant to Youth and Programs Director, Monica Herber. Great affinity for art, social media and the performing arts—especially, music. Robyn Gavigan, former Art Center staff, Artist Grew up in Columbia and worked for the art center ten years. Teacher specializing in acrylics. Artist Filled with passion for developing programs and community connections. Fidel Carey-Realmo, Artist, Instructor Has worked with the Art Center for 10 years. Enjoys mixed media, youth and teens. Has a “special place in my heart” for art. Anxious to share in what is next. Donna Lonegro, Art Center Office Manager and Artis Worked at the Art Center for 13 years. Donna expressed her interest and passion for making a Difference as an arts administrator and artist/photographer.
6:50 PM	Barbara Kellner suggested name place cards on table for future meetings.
6:51 PM	Janet Evans, Long Reach representative on CA Board gave a recap/update of the Long Reach Center Re-development Status. Howard County and Orchard Development have parted ways and the pending master plan has fallen through. The County is looking to liven up the center with short term leases and activate (rent) spaces while long term plan or sale is reached. Interest has been



	<p>expressed and discussions have taken place with The African Art Museum (Fulton) and ManneqArt, Head Start, Commercial Kitchen consultant, Library, etc. to explore short term occupancy.</p> <p>Is there any opportunity for the art center to have more presence (display) in windows and other public spaces? Opportunity has been stated in Art Center planning document prepared this year.</p> <p>CA is weighing plans to renovate the Art Center and Stonehouse over a period of several years.</p> <p>The current scheme calls for re-orientation of main entrance to the lower level and rear parking lot which is owned by CA which is the current GPS directive for automobile entrance.</p> <p>Feasibility for joining reception for Art Center and Stonehouse is being explored.</p> <p>CA is seeking a meeting with the County Officials to review options. In the meantime, very preliminary architectural reviews and surveying is underway to contribute to proposed overall renovation. (Stonehouse rentals are robust)</p>
6:59 PM	<p>Barbara Kellner reported on presentation to the CA Board on July 25. <i>INSERT</i></p> <p>Overall summary of Art Center activities for the past calendar year was well received.</p> <p>A request to have CA Board Members more involved to see what is happening was issued.</p> <p>The issue of added Art Center security was also expressed for visiting guest comfort at night.</p> <p>Janet Evans suggested that 2-3 days prior to event an email be sent to CA Board inviting each.</p> <p>Anything sent too early is likely to be over looked. She also noted that there were no Art Center Events on the new CA website.</p>
7:09 PM	<p>Carol Zika mentioned that in CA Training Materials the Art Center is not listed as a box to check for participants. The Art Center is not mentioned in any corresponding collateral.</p> <p>Question is: why?</p>
7:10 PM	<p>Barbara Kellner encouraged members to write notes to CA. Important that more voices are heard and not just that of Liz especially those concerns regarding safety as a guest.</p> <p>The Howard County Police Sub-Station does not seem to be an active hub or exude activity.</p> <p>Village Center Security is separate and appears passive.</p> <p>-Talk to CA</p> <p>-Talk to Tina Ado, Long Reach Village Manager</p>
7:11 PM	<p>Programming:</p> <p>Monica Herber, reviewed Art Center summer program results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Birthday Parties (June, July, August) generated \$3500 ● Columbia Festival of the Arts very active with 300 butterflies, sculpture, cards, rocks. \$800 income ● Outreach and Partnership in July. \$200 income ● End of Summer Art Splash in August: 132 paid students ● Upcoming events: <p>-Paint Night Hickory Ridge Sept. 13 7 PM</p> <p>-Kids Space Hero Run Sept. 21 8-11 AM</p> <p>-Art Center Open House Sept. 21 12-2 PM</p> <p>-Library's Longest Table at HCC Sept. 21 5 PM</p> <p>-Bike About Sept 28 9:30 AM</p> <p>-CA employee Halloween Paint Night Friday, Oct. 11 6:30 PM</p> <p>-Trunk or Treat Saturday, Oct. 5 8 AM</p> <p>Christina McCleary summarized Summer Ceramics Activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lower than usual Summer class enrollment ● Looking to offer shorter sessions ● "Give it a Spin" now available on Sundays ● Enrollments are very last minute ● Looking to revamp offerings with lower price points ● Meeting with CA Millennial Advisory Group was very productive with many good ideas emerging to guide future program offerings



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent study is an option. Look to offer by the month • Effort underway to reorganize and revamp the ceramics working area. <p>Trudy Babchak presented the upcoming Gallery Shows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Student/Faculty Show 2019 currently in hanging stage. <p>-326 pieces represented -Juror, Karen Isailovic, co-founder of Roots Studio -Reception, Saturday, Sept. 14 from 2-4 PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The "Erase Hate" exhibit is scheduled for October 6. Erase bullying is the message. • Emerging Artists Show and Reception, Sunday, October 13 • Color Columbia Plein Air, Saturday, October 26 <p>-Over 40 artists to date, seeking high school participation. Advance notice is essential. -Gino Molino, HCPSS Fine Arts Director will judge the works -Poetry readings & more throughout the event</p> <p>Barbara Kellner asked how and what marketing support was in place. CA gyms and scheduled email deployment will feature events. Comment was made that "clubs are not where everyone is". Bike About offers opportunity to distribute condensed information that fits in pockets.</p> <p>The new CA website is still in a developing state and needs major scrubbing. Patch is a good source for posting. Tourism has been supportive. UMBC is another avenue.</p> <p>Liz offered details on the Art Center Open House, Saturday, September 21, 2019. From 12 noon to 2 pm.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose to highlight classes with active demonstrations • Fun being designed into pottery and clay • Important for kids to be involved—a family event • Enrollment is goal <p>She also shared "Empty Bowls" is scheduled for the first week of June 2020. Ceramics is in process of creating the bowls which will be sold. (300 is person occupancy for event).</p> <p>The Visionary Women Event is on the calendar to begin March 7, 2020. Additional features are being added. Helen Mitchell, professor at Howard Community College will be doing a special session which certain to be a great presentation.</p> <p>Additional thoughts were contributed on "How do we reach the rest of Howard County?"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CA is strict about postings • Howard County Arts Council has embraced sharing event information/calendar • Town Center has the "Flash"—Jeryl Baker • Social media is a network that takes each of us 'sharing'
7:40 PM	<p>Liz continued: Renovation of Art Center is in the earliest stages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First meeting with CA principals has occurred. • Architects, contractors and consultants are assessing. • There is "a lot up in the air". • The prominence of Galleries and that being the visitor's first impression is a concern. • This will be a project of years in motion. • At this point, there is much ground work to occur.
7:50 PM	<p>Four Questions/Topics to further the Art Center were addressed.</p>



	<p>Selection of Topic Two for the evening's discussion: What: Art Center 2020 Cultural Programming <i>The art Center is trying to become more culturally diverse in its offerings and events. Your thoughts and suggestions on how we can enhance what we offer? Have you participated in or attended any programs in the area that really struck you as innovative in this area?</i></p> <p>Nicole Patterson offered that Howard County Arts Council Grant process leaves many wanting. They cannot afford program space, costs are prohibitive, no place to perform. Circulate awareness of opportunities. Seasonality is key to people's motivation.</p> <p>Laura Smit and CA's Multicultural Program is a great source for talent and contacts. i.e. 'drumming paired with visual art'.</p> <p>Natalie Seymour (life enhancement) is very popular.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● African Culture, library, vendors, Henna Painting, Art Reach ● Chinese Festival/Chinese New Year, tap into cultural holidays for natural celebration ● Bain Center under renovation, call Linda Etherage. Korean Groups may be looking for space. <p>Any Master Classes/Salon Series for established artists with a residency could be another avenue.</p> <p>Robyn Gavigan suggested a grid be created with all cultural groups and what their traditional events/holidays are as a starter.</p> <p>Janet Evans suggested that Nina Basu is a source and booking Indian and Latino Concerts.</p> <p><i>Remaining Question/Topics will be addressed in future meetings.</i></p>
8:05 PM	Meeting Adjourned
	<p>The Next Art Center Advisory Council Meeting will be held December 9, 2019 at 6:30pm.</p>