

1-9-23 Arts Commission Minutes

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Arts Commission**

6:30 PM
January 9, 2023

MINUTES

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Commissioners:

Bridget Agabra
Tracey Craig
Kimberly Kapustein (excused absence)
Tina Velazquez Hays
Tracie Mahadeo
Fred Poyner IV
Rachel Wright
Julie Griffin, Alternate
Eric Morgret, Alternate

Administration/Staff:

Amy Dukes, Arts Program Administrator

Guests:

Christina Bruning, Board President, DIA
Mark Clemens, Executive Director, DIA
Lelani, DIA volunteer
Paula Stringer, DIA volunteer

CALL TO ORDER

MAHADEO called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WRIGHT moved to approve the minutes of December 12, 2022. MORGRET seconded.
Minutes were approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

DIA volunteers and staff gave updates on DIA programming downtown.

CHAIR REPORT

MAHADEO wished everyone a happy new year and thanked everyone for their review of the 2023 arts grant applications.

STAFF REPORT

DUKES gave updates on the NW Trolls project with Thomas Dambo. The artist team will be visiting the area from Denmark the week of February 7 and will make a site visit to Confluence Park.

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AGENDA ITEMS

**A 2023 Issaquah Arts Grant Review –
Initial Review of Applications**

Arts Commissioners discussed the scoring criteria and methodology for the review of the 2023 applications. Each application was reviewed, with primary readers leading the discussions. Arts Commissioners also discussed how to address organizations that had submitted multiple project applications and how to prioritize them given limited funding. The commission will complete the review and funding recommendations at a special meeting on January 18, 2023.

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58pm.