

Cultural Affairs Committee Meeting

December 18, 2019

The regular meeting of the Cultural Affairs Committee was called to order at the New Port Richey Recreation & Aquatic Center at 6:30pm on Wednesday, December 18, 2019. Board Members Chairman Richard Melton, Gina DiGregorio, Lisa Marie Dolcy, Anna Mae McNally, Kelly Smallwood, Ruth Ann Jackson, Cynthia Contreras, and staff liaisons Elaine Smith and Chris Bornfleth were in attendance. Liz Misemer (Main Street), Bryan Cartwright, and Jeffrey DeSantis attended as guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- The Minutes from the November 20, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

VOX POP:

- Liz Misemer would like to have a downtown Window Decorating Contest for Valentine's Day. A Dessert Stroll has already been planned and having the stores decorate would add fun and décor to the occasion. There could be a small first prize of (various amounts were discussed; with possible gift cards procured, and the subject was tabled to vote at the next meeting), and no second and third prizes awarded. (Elaine will ask the CM; it will have to be approved by City Council) There is not much money left in the CAC budget. The CAC wants to vote on funding this at the January, 2020 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- December 21st Event Volunteer Assignments – All Volunteer Assignments were reviewed, including what time and where to report. Elaine's work cell phone number was given to all CAC members. Jennie Pearl's daughter will be doing some photography at the event. A Park-N-Ride from the RAC to Peace Hall will be available for the evening concert. Bring your own water, as there are no extra staff to take any around to volunteers at the event.
- Art Mural for Fitzgerald's – Approved by City Council.
- Funding for the Holiday Window Decorating Contest – Approved by City Council.
- Sculpture Walk – Submission Up-date – There has been one submission so far. Everyone needs to get the word out to artists anywhere. Rich and Liz have sent out applications.

- Florida Orchestra Tickets – There were a few extra tickets left; they were given to Ruth Ann, Kelly, and Cynthia.

NEW BUSINESS:

- There was no new business on the agenda.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Recreation Administrative Assistant

(for Gina DiGregorio, Secretary)

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