

## **Region Of Waterloo Arts Fund Minutes**

Thursday, December 5, 2013 3:19 p.m., Room 218 Regional Administration Building 150 Frederick Street, Kitchener, Ontario

Present were: Chair I. Stefanescu, M. de Groot, J. Haalboom\*, E. McCluskie, P. Mulloy\*, M. Scott and A. Thomas\*

Members Absent: A. Aledeh, I. Cisterna, D. Mansell, P. Pulford and K. Seiling

The meeting started without quorum.

# Declarations of Pecuniary Interest Under The Conflict Of Interest Policy Of The Region Of Waterloo Arts Fund

None declared; declarations related specifically to the grant applications were made prior to the review of the Stage 2 applications.

#### **Approval Of Minutes Of Meeting**

Open Session – October 3, 2013

I. Stefanescu summarized the status of the motions carried without quorum at the October 3, 2013 meeting. The motion to approve the moving forward of Stage 1 applications was approved by a majority of the members via email.

Moved by M. Scott Seconded by E. McCluskie

That the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund approve the open session minutes of October 3, 2013.

Carried

Closed Session – October 3, 2013

Moved by A. Thomas Seconded by E. McCluskie

That the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund approve the closed session minutes of October 3, 2013.

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Carried

Open Session – November 4, 2013

Moved by M. de Groot Seconded by E. McCluskie

That the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund approve the open session minutes of November 4, 2013.

Carried

I. Stefanescu welcomed Paige Desmond, from The Record.

## **Business Arising From the Minutes**

a) Directors' Liability Insurance Update / Approval

S. Natolochny provided an update about the replacement policy, including the rates and coverage. Copies of the insurance policy are available upon request.

Moved by A. Thomas Seconded by P. Mulloy

That the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund approve the expenditure of \$1674.00 for a oneyear renewable insurance policy, effective November 8, 2013.

Carried

## b) Task Force Update

I. Stefanescu advised that the task force has met several times and recently with J. Schelling. She stated that M. Scott has created a comparator grid to identify the similarities and differences between the model currently in place and the recommendations made by the Review Panel and the proposals of the Task Force group. She stated that the document will be distributed to the Board and the Review Panel for feedback and then will be distributed throughout the arts community for feedback. The issue will come back to the January 16<sup>°</sup> 2014 Board meeting.

In response to an inquiry from the Board about the anticipated timelines for implementation, I. Stefanescu advised that the proposed changes involve governance and processes, and as a result, will take some time. Additionally, a new by-law will be required. The Task Force members have estimated that the proposed changes will be formally implemented at the September 2014 Annual General Meeting.

\* J. Haalboom joined the meeting at 3:29 p.m. and quorum was achieved.

The Board approved the motions that had been moved without quorum.

c) Membership/Nominating Committee Updates / Approval

M. Scott advised that the Committee has met to determine several potential candidates to fill the vacancies on the board; she provided the names to the Board. The Committee will review the list and will make contact with the prospective members.

S. Natolochny advised that members whose term was to expire at the end of 2013 have been asked to renew their terms until the January 16, 2014 meeting to ensure that the minimum number of directors are in place for the purpose of approving new and renewed appointments in January.

Moved by E. McCluskie Seconded by M. de Groot

That the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund approve the extension of the membership term for Arlene Thomas to January 16, 2014.

Carried

#### Correspondence

a) The Correspondence file was distributed to members; the file included a copy of the Fall 2013 Events & Exhibits newsletter and a promotional brochure from the Clay & Glass.

b) Tri-City Stopgap Re: F11-36, Artists Site specific Exhibit – Request for Project Extension

The Board discussed the request. Staff will send written notification of the Board's decision.

Moved by M. de Groot Seconded by E. McCluskie

That the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund approve the request for project extension for Tri-City Stopgap's project, Artists Site Specific Exhibit (F11-36) until December 31, 2014, at which time a Final Report will be due.

Carried

#### **Other Business**

S. Natolochny presented Certificates of Appreciation to retiring Board members, I. Stefanescu and E. McCluskie on behalf of Regional Chair Ken Seiling.

#### **New Business**

Review of Fall 2013 Stage 2 Applications

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The following applicants did not submit Stage 2 applications:

- F13-37 Anthony Ramsay, Stadium Status Media Group
- F13-46 Tyler Stoddart, Love Banshee
- F13-35 Viktorija Kovac, Ars Mechanica Theatre

The following applicants submitted Stage 2 applications after the deadline:

- F13-32 Brian Lockyer
- F13-34 Judith Miller, Stonegarden Studios

The following applicant declined to submit a Stage 2 application:

F13-29 Kari Kokko, Community Music School of Waterloo Region (CMSWR)

The following declarations of pecuniary interest, related to applications, were made by the members:

| Application ID:<br>F13-24<br>F13-40 | <u>Board Member:</u><br>I. Stefanescu<br>I. Stefanescu | <u>Reason:</u><br>The applicant is in a group that she teaches.<br>The applicant is in a group that she teaches. |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| F13-24                              | M. de Groot  | He's involved with a teaching group that the applicant participates in.  |  |  |
| F13-40                              | M. de Groot  | He's involved with a teaching group that the applicant participates in.  |  |  |
| F13-48                              | M. de Groot  | The applicant is a colleague at the Multicultural Cinema Club.   |  |  |
| F13-38                              | E. McCluskie   | He is the producer for the project.  |  |  |
| F13-52                              | E. McCluskie   | He is the producer for the project.  |  |  |
| F13-33                              | E. McCluskie   | He is the producer for the project.  |  |  |
| F13-48                              | A. Thomas  | She works with the applicant.  |  |  |
| F13-22                              | A. Thomas  | She may be involved in the project in the future.  |  |  |

E. McCluskie had declared a conflict for project F13-12 during the Stage 1 Review but he advised that he is no longer a member of the applicant board.

Each member excused themselves from the meeting room and the review discussions of these grant applications during the closed session.

#### **Closed Session**

Moved by M. Scott Seconded by A. Thomas

That a closed meeting of the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund be held on December 5, 2013 at approximately 3:48 p.m. in Room 218, for the purpose of considering the following subject matters:

a) personal matters about identifiable individuals related to current applications

Carried

\* A. Thomas left the meeting at 5:00 p.m. The meeting lost quorum.

\* P. Mulloy left the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

The meeting recessed at 5:15 p.m. and reconvened at 5:22 p.m.

\* J. Haalboom left the meeting at 5:58 p.m.

### Motion To Reconvene Into Open Session

Moved by E. McCluskie Seconded by M. Scott

That the Region of Waterloo Arts Fund reconvene into Open Session at 7:20 p.m.

Carried (without quorum)

Moved by M. de Groot Seconded by E. McCluskie

That the following Fall 2013 Stage 2 applications receive Arts Fund grants, as follows:

| ID#    | First      | Last       | Organization   | Amount<br>Requested | Amount<br>Approved |
|--------|------------|------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|
| F13-04 | Stephen    | Preece     | Grand River Jazz<br>Society                                  | \$10,000            | \$10,000           |
| F13-06 | Beth       | King       | YMCA of<br>Cambridge   | \$7,100             | \$5,100            |
| F13-12 | Glenn      | Buhr       | NUMUS Concerts<br>Inc.                                       | \$5,000             | \$5,000            |
| F13-21 | Kenneth    | Hull       | Spiritus Ensemble  | \$5,200             | \$5,200            |
| F13-07 | Lauren     | Judge      |  | \$2,900             | \$2,900            |
| F13-08 | Robert     | Linsley    |  | \$1,000             | \$1,000            |
| F13-11 | Jacqueline | Rula       |  | \$5,000             | \$5,000            |
| F13-53 | Mary       | Misner     | Cambridge<br>Galleries                                       | \$11,875            | \$11,875           |
| F13-02 | Mark       | Tonin      |  | \$8,000             | \$8,000            |
| F13-25 | Dr. Marc   | Hurwitz    |  | \$7,500             | \$7,500            |
| F13-39 | Julie      | Thompson   | Community Justice<br>Initiatives (CJI) of<br>Waterloo Region | \$10,000            | \$10,000           |
| F13-42 | Neil       | Vidyarthi  |  | \$5,000             | \$5,000            |
| F13-48 | Douglas    | Morton     |  | \$3,959             | \$3,959            |
| F13-31 | Nathan     | Stretch    | Bass Lions   | \$5,000             | \$5,000            |
| F13-38 | Kevin      | Ramessar   |  | \$7,000             | \$7,000            |
| F13-52 | Andy       | Macpherson | KW Big Band<br>Theory  | \$15,000            | \$10,000           |

| ID#    | First               | Last                               | Organization                         | Amount<br>Requested | Amount<br>Approved |
|--------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| F13-54 | Megan               | McCaffrey                          | The Blackwood<br>Two                 | \$5,000             | \$5,000            |
| F13-56 | Marcus              | Wanka                              | Teen Violence                        | \$3,000             | \$3,000            |
| F13-14 | Paul Knowles,       | Mike Erb &<br>Charlene<br>Nafziger | Waterloo Song<br>Cycle Collaborative | \$10,000            | \$7,500            |
| F13-20 | Kathleen<br>Cleland | Moyer                              | Backyard Theatre                     | \$12,000            | \$12,000           |
| F13-22 | Terre               | Chartrand                          | (Without A) Theatre<br>Company       | \$7,000             | \$7,000            |
| F13-27 | Matt                | White                              | Rocket Science                       | \$3,500             | \$3,500            |
|        | ·                   | •                                  | ·                                    | \$241,253           | \$140,534          |

Carried (without quorum)

The following applications did not receive Board approval for an Arts Fund grant:

|        |            |               |              | • • • •          |
|--------|------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
| ID#    | First      | Last          | Organization | Amount Requested |
| F13-43 | Sarah      | Sarah Marsh   |              | \$3,500          |
|        | Granskou & |               |              |                  |
| F13-50 | Richard    | Garvey        | At the Root  | \$10,000         |
|        |            |               | Festival     |                  |
| F13-15 | Pamela     | Rojas         |              | \$5,000          |
| F13-17 | Amy        | Roger         |              | \$7,000          |
|        |            |               |              |                  |
| F13-09 | Danny      | Bailey        |              | \$4,500          |
| F13-24 | Duncan     | Finnigan      | Five50Films  | \$17,500         |
| F13-33 | Dan        | Mombourquette | Major        | \$7,500          |
|        |            |               | Hoople's     |                  |
|        |            |               | Boarding     |                  |
|        |            |               | House Band   |                  |
| F13-36 | Nelson     | Dunk          | Skylight     | \$6,000          |
|        |            |               | Productions  |                  |
| F13-40 | James      | Usas          | ElipsesAzure | \$20,000         |
|        | Anthony    |               | Studio       |                  |
| F13-57 | Brad       | McMillan      | Dream        | \$1,500          |
|        |            |               | Weaver       |                  |
|        |            |               | Productions  |                  |
| F13-30 | Cory       | Weagant       |              | \$3,719          |
| F13-45 | Gregory R. | Osborn        |              | \$5,000          |

## Next Meeting – January 16, 2014 Board Election; Election of Officers; and Review of 2013

## Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Committee Chair, I. Stefanescu

Corporate Clerk, S. Natolochny