



**City of Kingston  
Arts Advisory Committee  
Meeting Number 03-2023  
Minutes**

**Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 9:30 A.M.  
In a virtual, electronic format**

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**Committee Members Present**

Matthew Campbell, Chair  
Councillor Chaves  
Elena Baker  
Les Casson  
Nicole Daniels  
Brienne Franklin  
Marc Garniss  
Aara Macauley  
Christianne Wojcik

**Regrets**

Alicia Boutilier  
Devanshi Mishra

**Staff Members Present**

Danika Lochhead, Acting Director, Arts & Culture Services  
Christine O'Connor, Committee Clerk  
Iain Sullivan, Committee Clerk

**This is not a verbatim report.**

### **Meeting to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Ms. Macauley

Seconded by Councillor Chaves

**That** the agenda be approved.

**Carried**

### **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved by Ms. Wojcik

Seconded by Ms. Daniels

**That** the minutes of Arts Advisory Committee Meeting Number 02-2023 held on Thursday, May 18, 2023, be approved.

**Carried**

### **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

Ms. Baker indicated that she had a pecuniary interest in Item 7 a) as she is employed by Kingston Symphony, which benefits directly from the Corporation of the City of Kingston Arts Fund.

Nicole Daniels indicated that she had a pecuniary interest in Item 7 a) as she is the Executive Director of the Kingston Arts Council, which helps develop the plan for the Corporation of the City of Kingston Arts Fund and administers the funding.

Les Casson indicated that they had a pecuniary interest in Item 7 a) as they are a Board Member of the Cantabile Choir, which applies for funding through the Corporation of the City of Kingston Arts Fund.

Aara Macauley indicated that she had a pecuniary interest in Item 7 a) as she is a recipient of funding through the Corporation of the City of Kingston Arts Fund.

### **Delegations**

There were none.

## **Briefings**

- a) Danika Lochhead, Manage, Arts & Sector Development, will be present to speak to the Committee about the 2024 Plan for Administration for the City of Kingston Arts Fund.

Ms. Lochhead provided an overview of the report and an introduction of the review.

Councillor Chaves commented that this review was a great opportunity to be proactive. He noted that in the Kingston Arts Council Plan one of the objectives states nurturing arts engagement for all Kingston residents. He suggested removing the word “all” from that objective as not all Kingston residents will be interested in the arts. Ms. Lochhead responded that a significant change to the application and jury process will be occurring to integrate feedback received on those processes. She acknowledged that removing the word “all” from the objective to nurture arts engagement for Kingston residents would create a more realistic goal.

Ms. Daniels provided a summary of the specific changes proposed for the Plan for Administration detailed in the report.

## **Business**

- a) **Approval of 2024 Plan for Administration for the City of Kingston Arts Fund**

The business was introduced through Briefing a).

The Committee did not provide further comment.

The Chair provided an opportunity for members of the public to speak. There were no members of the public present.

Moved by Ms. Franklin

Seconded by Ms. Wojcik

**That** the Arts Advisory Committee approve the ‘Plan for Administration of Arts Funding for The Corporation of the City of Kingston Arts Fund in 2024’, attached to Report Number AAC-23-003 as Exhibit A.

**Carried**

**b) Mayor's Arts Awards Nominations Working Group Minutes**

Ms. Franklin provided an overview of the minutes and recommendations from the working group. She noted that there was a lot of discussion in the working group regarding the Limestone Legacy Award and the consideration of work from artists who are living and posthumous. She stated that working group members also felt it would be beneficial to welcome nominations from the community and to advertise this to the public.

Ms. Macauley added that most other awards applications have a submission process and the working group members felt it would be helpful to have submissions from the artists to get better examples of their work and a more fair representation of what they are doing within the community.

Ms. Lochhead thanked Ms. Franklin and Ms. Macauley for their work and for their comments. She noted that the suggested shift in the submission process for the Mayor's Arts Awards is valuable and very manageable. She added that the submission process could be reviewed for next year.

Ms. Daniels congratulated everyone on the ceremony.

Moved by Ms. Baker  
Seconded by Ms. Casson

**That** the Mayor's Arts Awards Nominations Working Group Minutes be received.

**Carried**

**Motions**

There were none.

**Notices of Motion**

There were none.

**Other Business**

There was none.

**Correspondence**

There was none.

**Date and time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Arts Advisory Committee is to be determined.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Ms. Franklin

Seconded by Mr. Garniss

**That** the meeting of the Arts Advisory Committee be adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

**Carried**