

Minutes of the Phoenix Sister Cities Disability Awareness Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 3rd, 2018

2555 E Georgia Ave, Phoenix, AZ, 85016

Teleconference: 602-744-5850 23646#

*Voting Members in Attendance (either in person or via phone)

Robin Baethke*

Michael Sleeseman*

Joseph Gesullo*

Rick Gerrard

Nanette O'Dell*

Leslie Baker*

Paul Karam*

Dwayne Hartford*

Kathy Buscho*

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:02pm by Joseph Gesullo.

2. Introductions: No introductions

3. Approval of March 6th Meeting Minutes:

It was moved by Robin and seconded by Nanette and unanimously recommended to approve said minutes.

4. Committee Funds Status:

Rick reported that as of February 14, 2018 there is \$584.01 in Additional Funds, -\$78.03 in DAC Art, \$825.60 in DAC Writing, \$1,294.92 in DAC Holiday Fundraiser (Book and Bear), and \$1,853.76 in DAC Art and Wine. \$4,052.31 in DAC Restricted Funds.

5. International Competition for Writers with Disabilities:

The theme this year is "Transformation Towards an Inclusive Society". Joseph reported that we will be holding the event at the Newton Center on 3rd Ave and Camelback in the

Changing Hand's community room from 6:30-8:30. There will be tables, chairs, podium microphone, snacks and beverages available for sale. The cost of renting the room is \$169.35. Joseph reported that he will find a sponsor to cover the cost. Dwayne reported that he has four judges lined up and ready to go. Robin reported that she sent out the brochure and summary table again to our local contacts and Rick will be sending them out to our International contacts and PSC members next week. Rick reported that he left brochures and summary tables for ICWD and for ICAD with Chengdu while he was there.

Action Item: A motion was made by Nanette to allow \$200 for the mailing of International awards and certificates, if a PSC representative cannot deliver them in person. Dwayne seconded the motion, all approved.

6. International Competition for Artists with Disabilities Results and Discussion:

The theme this year is "Transformation Towards an Inclusive Society" and the venue will be the Found:RE Hotel. Joseph stated that he will send out the brochure/summary to all the local contacts and that Leslie will be contacting International Disability Organizations for submissions. Mary Jane was not present to discuss her appointment with Vivyx so discussion of this item was tabled until next month.

Action Item 1: Dwayne made a motion to use up to \$500 from Art account to pay for deposit to hold the Found:RE Hotel for the ICAD event Nanette seconded, approved.

Action Item 2: Robin made a motion to allowing up to \$200 for the mailing of International awards and certificates, if a PSC representative cannot deliver them in person. Nanette seconded the motion, all approved.

7. Bear and Book:

Robin reported that she and Mary Jane will handle the Bear and Book Event again this year. Discussion will take place at the next meeting when Mary Jane is present.

8. Calendar Update:

Discussion took place regarding changing the format for the calendar and putting together a book, containing some of the art and poetry, that would be selectively given out. Nanette reported that if we keep the page count the same as the calendar it should cost \$5 each.

Nannette will check the price out for next meeting. Joseph does not want the calendars to be used as a fund raiser.

9. Website-PSC Facebook Fan Page:

Nanette reported that she will post the ICAD and ICWD information of the PSC Facebook Fan Page.

10. Upcoming PSC Events:

- **Mayor's Gala 4/25: tickets \$150**
 - **Grenoble French Films and Wine: 4/23, 5/31, 6/28**
 - **Chengdu Dumplings and Beer: 5/24**
- All details on the PSC Website**

11. Next meeting: Tuesday May 1st, 2018.

12. Call to the Public:

13. Call to Adjourn: Joseph called to adjourn the meeting at 5:29