

TRACY ARTS COMMISSION – AD HOC YOUTH PROGRAMMING SUBCOMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
**September 27, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Bordes and Dhugga present. Commissioner Poole was absent.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Manager – Visual Arts

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Manager – Visual Arts

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

2. DISCUSS YOUTH PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS

Commissioners continued discussion in consideration of ideas to develop a future youth arts festival. Commissioner Dhugga reviewed ideas and topics the Ad Hoc Youth Programming Subcommittee (AHYPS) has been discussing since April.

Commissioners voiced support for an event that would collaborate with youth groups empowering them to design and participant in components, with event management by the Tracy Arts Commission (TAC). The festival should feature a variety of local acts including art, DJs, live music, spoken word and poetry, makers, and food that are appealing to youth. The event would target youth ages 13 to 17, but be family-friendly.

Commissioners are still evaluating the time of year that would be optimal, but agreed an after school or all-day event on a Friday or Saturday would be most appealing to youth. Venues still in consideration include Lincoln Park and downtown Tracy.

Commissioners inquired if there were any available dates at the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts between March and May of 2019. CAM Wilson advised he would consult with Staff to determine any such availability.

Commissioners agreed the funding for the event, in the form of sponsorships, should come from local business that identify youth as a target market, and/or support youth arts programming. These businesses could also participate in the festival, or provide an event component such as food, beverages, or an attraction.

Commissioners agreed a youth arts festival would support of ideas expressed at the Tracy Arts Commission meeting on September 11, 2018, in regards to developing new programming in 2019. Commissioner Dhugga stated she would contact the Staff Liaison to request an agenda item at and upcoming Youth Advisory Commission (YAC) meeting.

CAM Wilson suggested a discussion with the YAC and survey distribution could be valuable. Commissioners agreed and supported a survey to identify event components such as favorite local/regional performers, or an act to headline the festival.

Commissioners requested an agenda item to provide a project update to the TAC at the meeting on October 9. The next meeting of the Ad Hoc Youth Programming Subcommittee was scheduled for Thursday, November 1 at 6:00 p.m.

3. ADJOURNMENT

**ACTION** The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on September 24, 2018. The above are action minutes. Materials distributed to the majority of the Tracy Arts Commission, staff records and/or audio recording is available in the Cultural Arts Division located at 715 Central Avenue.