

MACOMB COUNTY ART AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
June 13, 2023

A meeting of the Macomb County Art Institute Authority held on June 13, 2023 at 4:00 pm, in the Macomb County Administration Building, One South Main, 7<sup>th</sup> floor conference room, Mount Clemens Michigan. The following members were present:

Members Present:

Phil Gilchrist  
Jill Rilley  
Jennifer Lehrer  
Tammy Patton  
Kevin Chandler  
Maria Silamianos  
Absent: Leon Drolet

Others Present:

Salvador Salort-Pons, Director, President & CEO, DIA  
Julie McFarland, Exec. Director of Public Affairs & Comm. Engagement  
Ian Rapnicki, MC Community Engagement Manager  
Anthony Smith-V.P. of Learning & Audience Engagement  
Judith Dolkart-Deputy Director-Art, Education & Programs  
Charley Jackson-MC Rep. To DIA Board of Directors  
Nancy Mitchell-DIA Board Member/Macomb County  
Marlene Beach- UHY

CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum of the Authority present, the meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion made to adopt agenda with an amendment to move item #14, Report from MC Rep. to earlier in the agenda. Motion by Kevin Chandler, supported by Phil Gilchrist. MOTION CARRIES

INTRO TO NEW MEMBER – MARIA SILAMIANOS

Maria introduced herself w/brief bio. The Board and DIA members all introduced themselves to Maria giving background info.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made to approve minutes from December 6, 2022 & March 28, 2023 by Jennifer Lehrer, supported by Phil Gilchrist. MOTION CARRIES

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public present. Opened/closed at 4:10 pm

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Per the by-laws , new officers are to be elected the first meeting of the new calendar year. Officers were nominated and elected as follows:

Board Chair: Phil Gilchrist, nominated by Jill Rilley, supported by Kevin Chandler. MOTION CARRIES  
Recording Secretary: Jill Rilley, nominated by Phil Gilchrist, supported by Kevin Chandler. MOTION CARRIES  
Treasurer: Kevin Chandler, nominated by Phil Gilchrist, supported by Maria Silamianos MOTION CARRIES

UHY UPDATE-ENGAGEMENT LETTER

Marlene Beach reviewed the engagement letter. Audit is almost complete. No findings out of the ordinary. Report will be out in a few weeks.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2024

Motion made to open to the public at 4:20 made by Tammy Patton, supported by Jennifer Lehrer. MOTION CARRIES No members of the public present, motion to close made by Tammy Patton, supported by Kevin Chandler. Closed at 4:20 pm. MOTION CARRIES

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED BUDGET RESOLUTION 2023

Motion made by Jill Rilley, supported by Maria Silamianos. MOTION CARRIES

REPORT FROM MC REPRESENTATIVES TO THE DIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Charley Jackson provided information from the meeting with the DIA Board. Gene Gagaro is retiring. The Board will need to rank priorities of the new Board Chair. Budget summary was presented and Charley will follow up in writing.

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN L-4029

Motion made by Kevin Chandler, supported by Maria Silamianos. MOTION CARRIES

AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE LEGAL NEWS INVOICE FOR PUBLIC NOTIFICATION SERVICES

Motion made by Maria Silamianos, supported by Kevin Chandler. MOTION CARRIES

RECEIVE AND FILE LCSA DISTRIBUTION CHECKS

Motion made by Kevin Chandler, supported by Jill Riley. MOTION CARRIES

PRESENTATION BY THE DIA

The DIA was voted the "Best Art Museum in America" in USA today. Julie reviewed 2022 Year End Report- benefits to Macomb County Residents including free admission, school programs, senior programs, and community partnership programs. Pleased to announce they are bringing back public art projects at fairs, festivals, and other events. Judith discussed upcoming exhibitions.

OTHER BUSINESS

Management Representation Letter for the calendar year 2022 submitted from the DIA. Motion to approve signature of letter made by Tammy Patton, supported by Kevin Chandler. MOTION CARRIES Letter signed by Phil Gilchrist.

Tammy Patton requested a copy of by-laws and service agreement. All documents will be forwarded to members.

Next meeting not scheduled. Phil will send out a poll of dates.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm. Motion made to adjourn by Tammy Patton, supported by Kevin Chandler. MOTION CARRIES