

**McLean Community Center  
Governing Board Meeting  
April 24, 2013**

**MINUTES**

**Board Members Present:** Kevin Dent, Chair; Chad Quinn, Vice Chair; Sean A. Dunn, Treasurer; Craig Richardson, Secretary; Jay Howell; Malika Nimmagadda; and Risa Sanders

**Board Members Absent:** Drew Armstrong, Susan Bourgeois; Robin Walker, and Laurelie Wallace

**Staff Members Present:** George Sachs, Executive Director; Ashok Karra, Comptroller; and Ellen Barial, Executive Assistant

**Guests Signed In:** Nancy Perry, Executive Director, McLean Project for the Arts  
Dennis Findley, Board Candidate  
Paul Kohlenberger, Board Candidate  
Patrick Smaldore, McLean Citizens Association

Mr. Dent convened the meeting of the Governing Board of the McLean Community Center (MCC) at approximately 7:45 p.m.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

The Governing Board adopted the meeting agenda unanimously.

**CITIZEN COMMENT**

Guests introduced themselves and indicated their reasons for attending the meeting.

McLean Project for the Arts Report

Ms. Perry reviewed the monthly MPA report to the MCC Governing Board. An excerpt from the written MPA report is on page six.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 20, 2013 MEETING**

The Governing Board approved minutes of its March 20, 2013 meeting unanimously.

**CHAIR'S REPORT/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Kevin Dent)**

Mr. Dent's report included the following items:

Executive Director's Review

The Executive Committee met in March to conduct Mr. Sachs' annual review. The Board will go into executive commission to finalize the review at the end of the meeting.

## 2012 H. Gordon Randall Outstanding Volunteer Award

Mr. Dent presented the lifetime achievement award to David Sanders in recognition of his years of service as a member of the MCC Governing Board. Mr. Sanders was the longest serving board member beginning as a youth board member and had held each officer position on the Governing Board during his tenure.

## MCA Relationship

Mr. Dent met with MCA President Sally Horn, and had received positive feedback on the MCC Board's openness.

## MRC Resolution

Mr. Dent reviewed the MRC resolution encouraging MCC to pursue a downtown location.

## Downtown

Mr. Dent discussed action taken by the Governing Board at its February meeting related to a proposed downtown project (to pursue discussions regarding a downtown proposal) and the renovation of MCC's Ingleside facility (to designate MCC's fund balance to the project to the extent needed).

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (George Sachs)**

Mr. Sachs updated the Board on MCC activities during March 2013; his written report is below:

### **Alden Theatre:**

- March Included: Silent Film – Buster Keaton; Morning Movie – Tootsie; Upright Citizens Brigade on Tour; and Speakers Series – with Physicist and Author Dr. Brian Greene.
- Public comment:
  - “Although some performances are naturally better than others, going to the Alden is invariably enjoyable.”
  - “My boyfriend and I enjoy coming to the Alden, especially for the silent movie films. We look forward to many more.”
  - “I just want to thank Kathy Herr so much for teaching my daughter about theater and acting. It has been really exciting for me to see her find a new interest and jump into it with such joy.”

### **Special Events:**

- The Volunteer Awards Luncheon was held in the Community Hall on Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup> from 12noon to 2:30pm. We had 130 volunteers and family members enjoying the Hawaiian Theme with live entertainment by the Aloha Boys and authentic Hawaiian

food. This year's award recipient was David Sanders for his more than 15 years of volunteer service to the community center.

**Teen Center:**

- Teen Council had their first Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser and served over 50 customers.
- OFTC named a new volunteer award after Craig McKenzie whose mom wrote in to say "I wish to thank the OFTC Staff for organizing another wonderful event and for supporting Craig with the opportunity to inspire others to gain and learn through volunteering. Giving time freely with and for others is not about awards and ceremonies; it is about the growth and satisfaction gained within. The awards inspire others to partake in such experiences."
- The Monday's Spring Break Trip was cancelled due to inclement weather. All other day trips the rest of the week went off fine.

**Youth:**

- Island Sensations, one of our 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade dances, took place on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The event did not sell out as usual which was due primarily to the beginning day of Spring Break. We had 189 participants.
- SpringFest was held on Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>. The event was a sell out with 223 participants enjoying the arts & crafts, entertainment, egg hunt, and photos with the bunny.

[Information about MCC and its programs can be found at <http://www.mcleancenter.org/>.]

**ELECTIONS & NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE (Craig Richardson, Chair)**

Mr. Richardson's report included the following items:

- An orientation for board candidates was held on April 15.
- There are seven adult candidates, including two incumbents, for the three adult board seats.
- There is one candidate for the McLean High School area board seat.
- While there are no official Langley High School area candidates, a number of teens have said that they intend to run write-in campaigns.
- The May board meeting has been postponed to June 5, 2013 because the Board of Supervisors will not hold a second meeting in May. The BOS will meet June 4. At that meeting, successful board candidates will be presented for confirmation by Supervisor Foust.

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE (Jay Howell)**

The Program Committee did not meet in April.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE (Sean A. Dunn, Chair)**

Mr. Dunn reported that a Finance Committee meeting had been scheduled for Tuesday, April 30. The Committee will address the operational costs associated with a proposed downtown project. The estimated cost will be based on a 35,000 square foot building that incorporates the Old Firehouse Teen Center functions.

## **CAPITAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE (Chad Quinn, Chair)**

### Ingleside Renovations

Mr. Quinn reported on the April 23 Capital Facilities Committee meeting, highlighting the following items:

- Elisabeth Teare, a land use attorney from the Office of the County Attorney, provided detailed information regarding the public process required for the Ingleside renovation project.
- The county attorney's office recommended going forward with the hearing to get public input on the renovation project, which is required by MCC's MOU with the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, before submitting a capital improvement plan (CIP) to the Board of Supervisors and the submission to the Fairfax County Planning Commission. The CIP could then reverence the public input received.
- Mr. Quinn reviewed the 2232 application process (Section 15.2-2232 of the Virginia Code), which is required to get the Fairfax County Planning Commission's approval of the project.

### ADA Bathroom Renovation Project for Ingleside Building

Mr. Quinn presented the following motion from the Capital Facilities Committee regarding bathroom renovations:

**MOTION: that the Governing Board approve proceeding with the ADA restroom renovation project at a price not to exceed \$496,000.**

- One purpose of the bathroom renovations project is to modernize aging bathrooms that no longer meet the needs of MCC.
- The bathroom renovations are part of the overall plan to bring MCC's bathrooms into ADA compliance.
- The bathroom renovations in this project will not be duplicated in the overall renovation project for the Ingleside building.
- These bathroom renovations will not be affected by the overall renovation project.

- Bathrooms included in the project are: the lobby bathrooms, the other first floor bathrooms, and the bathrooms outside of the art gallery.

***Decision: the motion passed unanimously.***

#### Storm-water Drainage Project

Mr. Quinn presented the following motion from the Capital Facilities Committee regarding storm-water management:

**MOTION: that the Governing Board approve proceeding with the storm-water drainage project at a price not to exceed \$113,000.**

- The project deals with storm-water management for the Ingleside Avenue side of the building and the front corner of the building.
- Staff members have worked with the Fairfax County storm-water management office and contractors to develop a drainage plan for the area.
- There were unexpected complications due to Cox and Verizon cables in the trench to be used for the project; these had to be relocated at MCC's expense.
- The revised proposal includes additional landscaping to camouflage the work done in the project. The landscaping will include mature plantings and will have a functional use by absorbing storm water.

***Decision: the motioned passed unanimously.***

#### **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE (Robin Walker)**

Mr. Quinn gave the Committee report on behalf of Ms. Walker.

- The focus of the Committee's April 18 meeting was work on public talking points for the Ingleside renovation project.
- Draft talking points are being developed as part of a communications plan to provide information to the community about the planned renovations.
- The communications plan will also include methods for obtaining input from the community.

#### **DOWNTOWN COMMITTEE (Susan Bourgeois, Chair)**

Mr. Richardson gave the Committee's report on behalf of Ms. Bourgeois. One crucial issue that the Committee will address is how to pay for the project.

## **MCLEAN PROJECT FOR THE ARTS REPORT (Nancy Perry)**

The following is an excerpt from MPA's written report to the Governing Board:

### **Noteworthy News**

- MPA Vice Chair Margi Vanderhye testified on behalf of MPA in support of the budget for the Arts Council of Fairfax County before the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors April 11th.
- MPA Spring Benefit will be at Federal Home's historic Langley Ordinary on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. This year's co-chairs are Molly Newberry and Katharine Powell.
- Share and be Chic to Benefit MPA: Thursday, April 25, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Last Call Studio by Neiman Marcus in the new Mosaic District. Tickets are only \$10 each; receive \$20 off of your purchase.
- Panel Discussion, April 27, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm: The Hidden Life of Bees and Plants with Sam Droege, USGS, and artists Nils Henrik Sundqvist and David D'Orio.
- Family Art Workshop, May 4, 10 - 11:30 AM: Protect Your Planet , \$10 per family. Create a large mixed-media poster around the theme of protecting the planet and tour the mixed-media installation in the gallery.
- Virginia Commission for the Arts' Spring 2013 Area 4A Grant Review Panel: MPA hosted the panel in the Emerson Gallery on April 23 and 24.
- Nancy Perry served as a judge in Fairfax County Office of Partnerships and Fairfax County Public Schools Partner awards, and was filmed in a video supporting FCPS used for the Board of Supervisors Budget hearing.

### **Exhibitions: April 18<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup>**

- Emerson Gallery: *Sprays, Dusts and Aerosols: A Chemical Revolution*, Atrium Gallery: *Drawings by Rula Jones*
- Ramp Gallery: *Drawings by Jessica Van Brackle*
- April 18<sup>th</sup> Exhibition Opening: 65 attendees

### **Education – Winter Programming 2013**

*Class Start Dates through 2/28/13*

- Adult Classes:
  - 13 classes offered; 3 cancelled; 51 students enrolled
- Open Studio:
  - 3 open studio series offered; 34 adults registered (plus additional drop-ins)
- Youth & Teen Classes:
  - 19 offered; 4 cancelled; 81 students enrolled

### **MPA ArtReach (204 participants)**

[More information about MPA is available at <http://www.mpaart.org/>]

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Governing Board unanimously adopted the following motion:

**MOTION: that the MCC Governing Board convene a closed session to discuss a personnel matter concerning an individual employee, pursuant to the personnel exemption in §2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.**

### Return to open session

The Governing Board reconvened in public session. Mr. Dent took a roll call vote of Board Members to confirm for the record that all matters discussed during the closed session were exempt under FOIA and had been identified in the motion to enter the closed session.

No action was taken during the Executive Session.

## **ADJOURN MEETING**

Mr. Dent adjourned the Governing Board meeting at approximately 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig E. Richardson, Secretary