

Arts Oversight Committee Meeting

Date: September 17, 2019

Time: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Location: City of Portland, Revenue Division

Attendees: Lisa Streib, Michael Cummings, Alison Chambers, Beth Cavanaugh, Patrick Browne, Pollyanne Birge, Tracy Smith, Shoshanah Oppenheim, Tyler Wallace, Amelia Hicks, Marna Stalcup, Jessy Friedt.

1. Welcome & Introductions
 - a. Tracy Smith, owner of Inhance, LLC introduced as consultant hired to present key findings and recommendations to the group.
2. Tracy Smith presents her report: "Key Findings: Committee Support for the Arts Education and Access Fund Citizen Oversight Committee."
 - a. Group read through entire report, then opened for discussion.
 - b. Findings:
 - Governance documents need clarifying, independence of committee is not clear.
 - Documents have not been updated for current membership.
 - Roles and Responsibilities need clarifying.
 - c. Metrics Discussed:
 - "What metrics can be used to determine what quality education is?"
 - "Are the school districts giving sufficient metrics?"
 - Future agenda item suggested to look at the metrics and how to compare qualitative results.
 - Reporting from school districts discussed. Reports from school districts varied so much from each other in past years that it was impossible to compare apples to apples. Coming up with a simpler reporting mechanism suggested.
 - A specific questionnaire with a timeline of deadlines suggested for streamlining the reporting.
 - Tracy recommends that the metrics that are decided upon be put into the working agreement.
 - RACC and city will be working with PPS with a new pilot program to track k-12. Arts Look Map is a mapping project and tool for reporting. After initial pilot done, questions specific to the arts tax could be added, helping AOC get needed information.
 - d. Laura Streib discussed her "wish list" of items for committee to work on. Included:
 - Determine type and number of positions being funded in schools.
 - What programs are providing a pathway to continuous k-12 education in arts.
 - How are charter schools meeting their obligations and how do we get them to comply if they are not.

- Maintaining consistency from year to year.
- 3. New City Arts Program Manager discussed:
 - a. Giyan Kim- just hired, coming from Seattle
 - b. She will be attending the next meeting in Oct.
 - c. "Does city arts manager report to AOC?" was asked. It was discussed that it is more of a working relationship/back and forth communication.
- 4. Recruitment discussed:
 - a. Updated roster needed. Laura will check and share to committee.
 - b. Terms of service discussed- 2, 2 year terms.
 - c. Pollyanne offers to do more research on what is process for new memberships and what makes most sense for the needs of committee.
 - d. Commissioner Eudaly can recommend members, but will go through mayor's approval.
- 5. Upcoming meetings:
 - a. Quarterly meetings suggested. Monthly is too often.
 - b. Need to dial back scope to only oversight.
 - c. Come up with basic timelines in next meeting.
 - d. Next meeting will be held Oct. 24th.
 - e. Tracy will make revisions to her report and send out before next meeting.
- 6. Adjourn
 - a. 7:45pm