



SUMMARY MINUTES

Tacoma Creates Advisory Board (TCAB)

Date: Monday, June 5, 2023

Time: 5:30-7:30 pm

Location: Virtual and in-person

These minutes accompany the recorded meeting of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, which is available at <https://www.cityoftacoma.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=195545>.

Tacoma Creates is administered by the City of Tacoma's Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality, which is part of the Community and Economic Development department.

Board Members in Attendance:

Sophia Agtarap
Allison Campbell
Megan Clark
Naomi O'Connor
Sheree Cooks
Roxane Hreha
Katie Mattran
Brian Robinson

Staff Present:

Lisa Jaret
Clarissa Gines
Amy McBride

Absent:

Putter Bert
Amanda Figueroa
Ellana Meas
Chase Williams

1. Call to Order; Roll Call

Chair Cooks

Chair Cooks called the TCAB meeting to order at 5:32pm.

She started the meeting with a land acknowledgement:

ʔuk'wədiitəb ʔuhigwətəb čəł tx'əl tiit ʔa čəł ʔal tə swatx'wix'wtx'əd ʔə tiit puyaləpabš dx'əstəłlils
g'əl ʔutx'əlšucidəbs həlgwəʔ.

We gratefully acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

2. Warm-up / Check-ins

TCAB Members

Chair Cooks invited TCAB members and staff to share a fun and interesting arts fact with everyone.

3. Consent Agenda

Vice Chair Robinson

Vice Chair Robinson asked for a motion to approve the June 5th meeting agenda, as well as the minutes from the May 18th meeting.

There was a motion, "...to approve the agenda, as well as the minutes from the previous meeting."

Motion: Allison Campbell

Seconded: Roxane Hreha

Motion: Carried

4. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Chair Cooks

Chair Cooks provided an opportunity for attendees to share public comment. Kay Clemons with Entertainment Resource Alliance shared a comment that was recorded.

5. Program Updates

Staff

Clarissa Gines gave an update on the upcoming funding year and invited TCAB members to the Kick-Off Convening happening later in the month.

Lisa Jaret then shared some Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality staffing transitions and invited Amy McBride to speak; Amy shared her retirement plans. Lisa Jaret wrapped up with some general updates around communications and community engagement events.

6. TCAB Committees & Operations

Chair Cooks

Chair Cooks shared the list of TCAB committees, and the members who sit on each of those committees.

First, Chair Cooks, TCAB member Allison Campbell, and Lisa Jaret shared some updates related to the process for reauthorization of Tacoma Creates. Vice Chair Robinson represented the Operations Committee and shared that he will be meeting with TCAB member Amanda Figueroa soon. Lisa Jaret reported that the Recruitment Committee did not meet last month, but staff will follow up soon on next steps. TCAB members Allison Campbell and Katie Mattran met last month for an Annual Report committee and shared that they had an initial conversation on report timeline, and they will be meeting soon.

Clarissa Gines and TCAB member Megan Clark then shared their experience attending the Mayor’s Youth Commission meeting last month.

7. Discussion Items

Staff, TCAB Members

Lisa Jaret introduced the following items for discussion at the meeting: BIPOC leadership stats at Tacoma Creates-funded organizations, capacity building for individual organizations, listening sessions, organization presentations, and tabling opportunities. Lots of good feedback and questions were shared regarding these discussion items, and many TCAB members volunteered to sit on various committees.

8. OACV Staff Reports

Staff

Clarissa Gines provided information on calls to artists for the Tacoma Studio Tour, Arts at the Armory, and concrete stamps. She also shared news that OACV was the recent recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) “Our Town” grant to support creative placemaking in the McKinley neighborhood.

9. Comments from TCAB

TCAB members

Chair Cooks offered space for TCAB members to share any experiences they had with events put on by Tacoma Creates-supported organizations. TCAB member Allison Campbell, and Lisa Jaret shared updates from programs they’ve attended in the last month.

10. Closing Comments

Chair Cooks, TCAB Members

Chair Cooks reminded TCAB members to check out the Tacoma Creates events calendar, and that they are welcome to share ideas for future agenda items with staff.

A reminder was also shared that there is no July meeting, and that a TCAB social event will be happening in late August.

11. Adjourn

Chair Cooks

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Meeting Frequency: Every First Monday of every month at 5:30pm, both virtually on Zoom and in-person at the Tacoma Municipal Building, room 248. All meetings of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board are open to the public.



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