

SUMMARY MINUTES

Tacoma Creates Advisory Board (TCAB)

Date: Monday, August 2, 2021

Time: 5:30-7:30 pm

Location: Virtually via Zoom

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

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

Board Members in Attendance:

Amanda Figueroa Roxane Hreha Michael "Tony" Hudson

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Board Members Absent:

Kenya Adams (excused)

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Megan Clark (excused)

Sheree Cooks (excused)

Jason Gamboa (excused)

Dominica Myers (excused)

Liesl Santkuyl (excused)

Staff Present:

Lisa Jaret Clarissa Gines Amy McBride Jerrol Anonuevo

Guest Presenters:

Karin Choo Kareem Kandi

1. Call to Order; Roll Call

Chair White

Tacoma Creates Advisory Board Chair Davon White called the TCAB meeting to order at 5:35pm.

He started the meeting with a land acknowledgement:

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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, Staff

Chair White facilitated the meeting check-in, which was to share one highlight from this summer, and one thing that excites us the most about fall / autumn.

3. Program Updates

Staff

Lisa Jaret shared updates on the ending of fiscal year 2020-21 and shared that the majority of final reports are now submitted, and that data pulled from these reports will be sent to Matt Kelley with the University of Washington-Tacoma for analysis. Contracts for the 2021-22 funding cycle are mostly done. Interviews for open seats on TCAB will take place next week.

4. TCAB Engagement/Operations

Chair White & Vice Chair Figueroa

Vice Chair Figueroa walked through the review of the draft TCAB Operating Manual. There was lots of engagement from TCAB members, and a few areas in the manual where updates were suggested.

Chair White provided a brief update on the TCAB retreat, and mentioned that a Doodle poll will be going out to gather information from TCAB members, which will help inform retreat planning.

5. Presentation: Tacoma Creates Funded Organizations

Northwest Sinfonietta & The Kareem Kandi World Orchestra

Lisa Jaret introduced Karin Choo, Executive Director of Northwest Sinfonietta, and Kareem Kandi, Executive Director of The Kareem Kandi World Orchestra, before they both presented about their organizations and how Tacoma Creates funding has supported their work.

Chair White facilitated questions at the end of the presentations. There was lots of engagement and appreciation shared from TCAB members.

6. OACV Staff Reports

Clarissa Gines

Clarissa Gines shared about the tree blessing that was held by the Puyallup Tribe in advance of the Tacoma Totem Pole being taken down. The Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality (OACV) is also interviewing artists for a Black Lives Matter mural at Tollefson Plaza, in collaboration with the City's Office of Equity & Human Rights and Tacoma Art Museum, and OACV will be launching a call to artists for Arts at the Armory.

7. Closing Comments

TCAB Members

Chair White provided a space for TCAB members to offer ideas for future meetings, and to share any engagement with Tacoma Creates-supported programs. Vice Chair Figueroa

highlighted the In the Spirit event, Lisa Jaret shared information about The Kinsey Collection at Tacoma Art Museum, and Chair White shared his engagement with Alchemy Skate, as well as Fab-5.

8. Adjourn

Vice Chair Figueroa

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Meeting Frequency: Every First Monday of every month at 5:30pm, venue to be determined based on health regulations. All meetings of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board are open to the public. Written comments are welcome to be submitted in advance of each meeting.



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