



BALTIMORE OFFICE OF PROMOTION & THE ARTS, INC.
BOARD MEETING - Thursday, June 20, 2019 - 9AM
MINUTES

Attending: Tom Crawford, Michael Davenport, Scott Johnson, Anana Kambon, Jack Lewin, Brian Lyles, Frank McNeil, Paula Rome, and Laurie Rush

Staff Attending: CEO Donna Drew Sawyer, Jackie Downs, Roz Healy, Lenora Henry, Kathy Hornig,

Absent: Kimberly Clark, Jeff Pillas, and Michael Shecter

Minutes- March 28,2019 were approved and adopted as final.

Finance Report

- Michael Davenport, Finance Committee member presented the BOPA financial statements.

Development & CEO Report

- Donna Drew Sawyer, CEO reported that BOPA recently hired Tony Covington as the new Chief Development Officer. Mr. Covington will assess the department and make recommendations and shifts in fundraising practices to increase revenue.
- Donna Drew Sawyer, CEO presented a Corporate Resolution for a Maryland Department of Planning Maryland Census Grant. BOPA Board of Directors voted and unanimously approved the Resolution.
- Jocquelyn Downs was introduced as the Baltimore Arts Council Director.
- BOPA is in the final stages of hiring a Finance Director
- BOPA was affected by the City of Baltimore malware virus attack and is still recovering.

Communications & Marketing Report

- Kathy Hornig, Festivals Director and COO introduced Finn Marketing Firm executive Robin Crawford, Sr. Partner who presented a PowerPoint presentation for the board to learn more about the firms marketing plans for the upcoming year.

Baltimore Arts Council Report

- Jackie Downs, Arts Director of the Arts Council reported Art@Work begins June 24, 2019. Currently, there are five locations: Two mural projects in West Baltimore and three in Northeast Baltimore.
- Loyola College has partnered for the first time and sponsored the mural projects in the Govans community located off York Road and Woodbourne.
- SoBo Summer Music Series is now through Saturday, August 24, 2019. The series features live music concerts and special events throughout South Baltimore. Widely known and emerging Baltimore-based musicians perform various genres including blues, brass band, funk, jazz, R&B, reggae and timba. The 2019 SoBo Summer Music Series is supported by the Maryland State Arts Council, South Baltimore Gateway Partnership, Catholic Charities, Rhythms & Reels, South Baltimore Community Association, Youth Resiliency Institute, Baltimore City Recreation and Parks and the City of Baltimore.
- The City funding project “INSPIRE” located in Fort Worthington- is currently being installed along with ceramics on the art structure. In addition, in the INSPIRE Pimlico project will be finalized and the sculpture will be installation. The unveiling will be at the Back to School Jam August 29 2019.
- Art on the Waterfront: Install Paul Daniels M.T. Skirt sculpture, Reinstall Paul Shortt’s “Don’t Let Adulthood Corrupt You”. Install Signs
- Currently, BOPA is finalizing artist selection for Cahill Recreation Center and the Reptile House at the Baltimore Zoo. In addition, we are in the process of removing an existing sculpture from Cahill Rec Center

Other Business - Anana Kambon

- There being no additional new business, a motion to end the meeting was made and seconded.
- A closed board meeting followed to discuss personnel and legal issues.

Anana Kambon adjourned the meeting at 10:29am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:



Lenora Henry

September 17, 2019

Date