

STATE CAPITOL PRESERVATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OKLAHOMA STATE CAPITOL SENATE CONFERENCE ROOM 4S.9 2300 N. LINCOLN BLVD., OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105 Oct. 21, 2021; 3:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nancy Leonard Duane Mass
C.J. Cavin Chris Morriss
Deena Fisher Darlene Parman
Jonathan Fowler James Pickel
Doug Kellogg Dan Ross

Lou Kerr

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Bruce Fisher Mariana Lloyd Chip Mullens

GUESTS:

Beverly Hicks, OMES Karl Kramer, Attorney General Amber Sharples, OK Arts Council Dr. Alan Atkinson, OK Arts Council Jarica Walsh, OK Arts Council

1. Announcement of filing of the meeting notice and posting of the agenda in accordance of the Open Meeting Act:

Ms. Hicks, meeting clerk confirmed that this meeting is in compliance with the law.

2. Determination of quorum and call to order:

Chairperson Nancy Leonard called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. A roll was taken and a quorum established. A meeting notice was filed with the Secretary of State and an agenda posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

3. Discussion and possible action on the meeting minutes of August 19, 2021:

Jonathan Fowler moved to approve the meeting minutes for August. Duane Mass seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

Mr. Cavin, yes; Ms. Fisher, yes; Mr. Fowler, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Leonard, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Ms. Morriss, yes; Ms. Parman, yes; Mr. Pickel, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

4. <u>Discussion and possible to approve installation and final design of the Congressional Medal of Honor in the Armed Forces bronze monument from the Valley Forge</u>

<u>Foundation, installed on the second floor west, (Supreme Court Hall) in the Capitol</u> Building:[Duane Mass, Capitol Architect and Curator]

The Architecture and Grounds Committee met prior to this meeting and the Committee unanimously recommended approving installation and final design.

Mr. Mass announced that Don Powers, President of the Oklahoma City Chapter of Freedom Foundations at Valley Forge, the driving individual behind this project, informed him that they are working to get the Congressional Medal of Honor in every state capitol. It is his belief that the Oklahoma State Capitol will be the first state capitol in the nation to lead the charge.

Duane Mass moved for full approval of installation and design by this Commission. Dan Ross seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

Mr. Cavin, yes; Ms. Fisher, yes; Mr. Fowler, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Leonard, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Ms. Morriss, yes; Ms. Parman, yes; Mr. Pickel, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

5. <u>Presentation and review of Capitol Art Plan – New commissions, re-installation and budget overview</u>: [Dr. Alan Atkinson, Director of Visual Arts and Capitol Collections and Jarica Walsh, Director of Art in Public Places]

Dr. Atkinson gave a budget overview/breakdown from bond money received for the Art in Public Places (AIPP) project totaling \$1 Million dollars for new art in the Capitol. Breakdown of AIPP Budget:

•	80% Commissioning	\$800,000.00
•	10 % Administration/Education	\$100,000.00
•	10% Maintenance	\$100,000.00

Dr. Atkinson presented on the Art Plan for re-installation of the Capitol Art Collection and for the addition of new artwork in the Capitol. The artwork is designed to be in chronological and thematic progression to the history of Oklahoma that highlights the breadth and depth of Oklahoma's unique history and creates a visitor-centric and an educational experience for new visitors who visit the Capitol.

The original art plan was derived from a comprehensive data-driven study of the art in Capitol and listening sessions with various community leaders statewide and meeting with stakeholders including House and Senate leadership and other key contacts in the Capitol.

Chairwoman Leonard noted that agenda items six and seven be switched due to the artist selections needing to be addressed before the design concepts.

6. <u>Discussion and possible action on review and approval of final artist selection for select artworks of the Art in Public Places project at the Oklahoma State Capitol:</u> [Dr. Alan Atkinson, Director of Visual Arts and Capitol Collections and Jarica Walsh, Director of Art in Public Places]

Jarica Walsh and Dr. Alan Atkinson gave a presentation on final artist selection for select artworks of the four artists listed below for recommendation to the Commission.

Visitors Entrance and Groudn Floor Lobby Area:

Pre-Statehood and Native American History

• Sterlin Harjo – Video Greeting; Collaborative Artist: Buffalo Nickel Project / budget approved December 2020

Action: Approve addition of collaborative artist

First Floor Rotunda:

- Black Wall Street / Greenwood Mural by Kadir Nelson
- *Katz Drugstore Sit-in* Mural by Kadir Nelson Project / budget approved December 2020

Action: Approve artist selection

Second Floor:

 Making Her Mark lunette mural by Sara Scribner Project / budget approved December 2020

Action: Approve artist selection

Third Floor:

• Wilma Mankiller portrait by Starr Hardridge

Project / budget approved April 2021

Action: Approve artist selection

The Art Standards Committee met prior to the meeting and unanimously recommended for approval of final artist selection for select artworks.

James Pickel moved to approve Sterlin Harjo and the Buffalo Nickel, Kadir Nelson, Sara Scribner and Starr Hardridge as artist for said locations in the Capitol. Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

Mr. Cavin, yes; Ms. Fisher, yes; Mr. Fowler, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Leonard, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Ms. Morriss, yes; Ms. Parman, yes; Mr. Pickel, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

7. Discussion and possible action on review and approval of final design concepts for select artworks of the Art in Public Places project at the Oklahoma State Capitol: [Dr. Alan Atkinson, Director of Visual Arts and Capitol Collections and Jarica Walsh, Director of Art in Public Places]

Jarica Walsh and Dr. Alan Atkinson gave a presentation of final design concepts for select artworks listed below for recommendation to the Commission.

<u>Visitors Entrance and Ground Floor Lobby:</u>

Pre-Statehood and Native American History

• Lobby Installation Artwork by Anita Fields (Osage)

Project / budget approved December 2020

Artist selection approved June 2021

Action: Approval of final design concept

• Visitors Entrance Mural *Oklahoma Dawn* by Yatika Starr Fields (Osage/Cherokee Nation/Muscogee)

Project / budget approved December 2020

Artist selection approved March 2021

Action: Approval of final design concept

Ground Floor Rotunda:

• Labor Omnia Vincit Mural by Lucas Simmons Project / budget approved December 2020 Action: Approval of preliminary design concept

Second Floor:

Doc Tate Nevaquaya by Nocona Burgess (Comanche)
 Project / budget approved April 2020
 Action: Approval of preliminary design concept

Third Floor:

Wilma Mankiller portrait by Starr Hardridge (Muscogee)
 Project / budget approved April 2021
 Artist selection and final concept presented today
 Action: Approval of final design concept

The Art Standards Committee met prior to the meeting and unanimously recommended for approval of the final and preliminary design concepts for said select artworks.

James Pickel moved to approve three final design concepts from Anita Fields, Yatika Starr Fields and Starr Hardridge, and two preliminary design concepts by Lucas Simmons and Nocona Burgess. Duane Mass seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

Mr. Cavin, yes; Ms. Fisher, yes; Mr. Fowler, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Leonard, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Ms. Morriss, yes; Ms. Parman, yes; Mr. Pickel, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

8. <u>Discussion and possible action on review and approval of recommended artist selection and budget for select artworks of the Art in Public Places project at the Oklahoma State Capitol:</u> [Dr. Alan Atkinson, Director of Visual Arts and Capitol Collections and Jarica Walsh, Director of Art in Public Places]

Dr. Atkinson updated the members on the status of the Bust of Hannah Atkinson. The Arts Council did an artist selection and budget. The artist selected was LaQuincey Reed. The funding for this project is still to be determined, but will have a better idea of where it stands financially in December. He recommended that the Bust of Hannah Atkins be approved, contingent on the availability of funds.

First Floor Rotunda:

Oklahoma's African-American History

• Bronze Bust of Hannah Atkins by LaQuincey Reed

Bronze bust of Hannah Atkins:

Artist fee	5,000
Casting and finishing	7,500
Pedestal	1,200
Installation	300
Signage	400

Subtotal \$14,400

James Pickel moved to approve the bust of Hannah Atkins contingent on having the funds with those funds either coming from the Art in Public Places overall budget or private funds. Duane Mass seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

Mr. Cavin, yes; Ms. Fisher, yes; Mr. Fowler, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes;

Ms. Leonard, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Ms. Morriss, yes; Ms. Parman, yes; Mr. Pickel, yes;

Mr. Ross, yes.

9. <u>Collections Manager Report</u>: [Dr. Alan Atkinson, Director of Visual Arts and Capitol Collections]

Update on the small guardian near the visitors entrance and the cost:

Dr. Atkinson reported that the repair to the statute cost is \$800 dollars. The cost will be paid by *Thinkability*.

Repair and restoration of the frame for the Teddy Roosevelt signing the Statehood Proclamation:

Dr. Atkinson updated that the frame surrounding the Teddy Roosevelt signing the Statehood Proclamation portrait arrived and is being preserved.

Report only. No action taken.

10. Discussion and possible action on approving regular meeting dates for 2022:

February 17 June 16 October 20 April 21 August 18 December 15

Jonathan Fowler moved to approve the meeting minutes for 2022. Duane Mass seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

Mr. Cavin, yes; Ms. Fisher, yes; Mr. Fowler, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes;

Ms. Leonard, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Ms. Morriss, yes; Ms. Parman, yes; Mr. Pickel, yes;

Mr. Ross, yes.

11. Chair Updates and Discussion:

Commissioner Ross informed that the state capitol restoration project scheduling is on time and on budget. The project is scheduled to be completed by February 2022.

Chairperson Leonard brought up the possibility of having a meeting/tour at the Governor's mansion. Commissioner Ross informed he would work out the arrangement for a meeting.

Report only. No action taken.

12. Adjournment:

There being no further business, C.J. Cavin made the motion to adjourn. Chris Morriss seconded the motion. Seeing no opposition, the meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.