



**STATE CAPITOL PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Virtual Special Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**March 16, 2021; 3:00 p.m.**  
**WebEx Platform**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chip Mullens  
Nancy Leonard  
Bruce Fisher  
Deena Fisher  
C.J. Cavin  
Doug Kellogg  
Lou Kerr  
Duane Mass  
Chris Morriss  
Darlene Parman  
James Pickel  
Dan Ross

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jonathan Fowler  
Mariana Lloyd  
Jason Sutton

**GUESTS:** Beverly Hicks, OMES  
Karl Kramer, Attorney General's office  
Amber Sharples, OK Arts Council, Executive Director  
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 with the Open Meeting Act [Chip Mullens, Chairman]**

Ms. Hicks confirmed that the meeting was in compliance.

**2. Determination of quorum and call to order. [Chair]**

Chairman Mullens called this meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A roll call was taken, and a quorum established. A meeting notice was filed with the Secretary of State and agenda posted in accordance with the amendments to the Open Meeting Act made by enrolled Senate Bill 1031 (2021).

**3. Discussion and possible action on meeting minutes of December 17, 2020. [Chair]**

James Pickel moved to approve the meeting minutes for December. Dan Ross seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

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

**4. Discussion and possible action on the removal of Lt. Governor's Photo Exhibition – Ground Floor West Hallway. [James Pickel and Dr. Alan Atkinson]**

Dr. Atkinson reported that the occasion for this special meeting is to seek approval to end the exhibition of the photographs on the ground floor west hallway and return them to the Lt. Governor's care and custody.

The Oklahoma Arts Council does not plan in putting anything else in its place as this is the corridor for the construction materials going in and out of the building.

The Arts Standard Committee met prior to this meeting and recommended unanimous approval.

James Pickel moved to approve. C.J. Cavin seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

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

**5. Discussion and possible action on review and approval of concepts and budgets for the next phase of Art in Public Places at the Capitol. [James Pickel and Dr. Alan Atkinson]**

The Oklahoma Arts Council is making artist selections for specific projects and has come before the Art Standards Committee to recommend for approval Sterlin Harjo as the artist selected for the already approved concept project/budget for director producer/editor for the visitors entrance greeting video and to consider the following approval of the budgets and concepts for second phase of the Art in Public Places projects for the Oklahoma State Capitol.

Vistors Entrance and Ground Floor Lobby:

*Pre-Statehood & Native American History*

- Greeting Video
- Spiro Themed Mural
- Traditional form Caddo pot
- Bust of Chief Allen Wright

First Floor Rotunda: *Oklahoma's African-American History*

- Bust of Clara Luper

Second Floor Supreme Court Hallway

- Hall of Heroes (concept only)
- Original Supreme Court Justices

Fourth Floor Meeting Rooms

- Pro Patia Drawings

The budget total for the new items of the phase two of the Art in Public Places for the Capitol is \$94,100.

• Spiro Themed Mural	\$23,400
• Traditional form Caddo pot	\$11,100
• Bust of Chief Allen Wright	\$20,500
• Bust of Clara Luper	\$20,500
• Hall of Heroes	
• Original Supreme Court Justices	\$2,400
• <i>Pro Pratria</i> Drawings	<u>\$16,200</u>
Total	\$94,100

The Chairman of the Art Standards Committee, James Pickel reported that the Committee met prior to this meeting and unanimously recommended approval of the concepts, the selections of the artists and the exception for the one portrait of Supreme Court Justice Williams in glee and the budget amount of \$94,100.

James Pickel moved to approve the concepts and the budget. Chris Morriss seconded the motion. The following votes were recorded, and the motion passed:

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

*Bruce Fisher entered the meeting at 3:07 p.m.*

*Deena Fisher entered the meeting at 3:12 p.m.*

## 6. Collections Manager Report [Dr. Alan Atkinson, Director of Visual Arts and Capitol Collections]

\* **Update on repairs to *Love Always* sculpture** – The Lena Beth Frazier on the Mansion Grounds had been pushed off of its base by a falling tree during the October 2020 ice storm. In December 2020, the Commission approved the Arts Council to take all necessary measures to secure, stabilize, and if necessary, repair the sculpture. An assessment was made by local sculptor David Phelps and was determined the anchor bolts failed due to past corrosion and recommended to return to the base without further immediate action. In February the Office of Management and Enterprise Services grounds crew and Capitol Curator, Duane Mass returned the sculpture back to its base. The sculpture is stable. There was some slight distortion of the base and requires further investigation.

\* **Loan request from Cherokee Nation** – The Arts Council received a request to loan the Charles Banks Wilson portrait of *Sequoyah* from the Capitol Collection for an exhibition at the Cherokee National History Museum titled “Sequoyah: An American Icon” to run from March 21 through December 21, 2021. However, the CPC Guidelines prohibit loans from the Capitol Art Collection and instead are going to approve the use of the digital file to create a near-life size print of the painting to be displayed during the exhibition.

**7. Chair Updates and discussion:**

Mr. Ross on behalf of the Capitol Architect and Curator updated the members on the Mansion. The work was done on time and under budget.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Dan Ross made the motion to adjourn. James Pickel seconded the motion. Seeing no opposition, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.