

Cultural Council Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2008

Present: Tammy McCorkle (staff), Tracy Burrows (staff), Julie Reynolds (staff), Jennifer Bushnell, Linda Meuter, Leah Kliger, Tom Gant, Eric Synn, G.G. Getz, Boris Srdar, Mia Coolidge, Kathy Feek, Bob Larson

Absent: Becca Singer, Mary Jane Vinella

Guest

Introduction to **Christopher Shainin**, the new Executive Director of Kirkland Arts Center

Strategic Plan Subcommittee

formed with these members: Jennifer Bushnell, Leah Kliger, Eric Synn, Linda Meuter/Kathy Feek (they will alternate), G.G. Getz

First meeting will be Feb 6th at 5pm in the Highlands room and they will meet the first Wednesday of each month. Please send feedback on the brainstorming session to Julie (any additions, changes or deletions to the current plan?) by January 31st.

Work Plan

We further clarified the subcommittees for this year's work: Art Management and Stewardship, Strategic Plan, Community Collaboration, Promoting Art. *Members of each subcommittee will be determined through e-mail.*

Art in Private Development

Members provided updates on each of three projects:

- Park Place—*Doug Howe has convened an art committee which will meet at lunch the 1st Thursday of each month. G.G. will attend, Bob and Boris expressed interest*
- Bank of America—Bob attended the DRB meeting with several other KCC members, and they encouraged Andy Loos to continue working with us to further determine the art for his projects. He is inclined to work with the artist that he has chosen. The DRB supported the fountain concept.
- McCloud building—This has brought up controversy about building heights downtown. However, there is a great potential for incorporating art into this project as the owner is a Kirkland resident and has ideas for a courtyard space with a fountain.

The subcommittee developed a process for working with private developers, which will be sent to all KCC members. This could potentially be used to create a process to work with each department on the 1% for the arts.

Microsoft Art collection tour

Leah invited all KCC members to a tour of the **Microsoft Art collection** that she purchased at the KPC auction. Each member may invite one other person. *She will send out dates and would like to do it in the next few months.*

Cannery

Linda and Tammy met with a possible buyer who would like to do wine tasting but is unsure of the location. The appraisal will be finished in 6 weeks. Possibilities were discussed of moving the building to another location, such as McAuliffe park.

Dates: *Leah or GG will attend the LAA meeting on Jan 31st at the Meydenbauer in Bellevue.*