

Art in Public Areas Minutes

May 20, 2025, 1 pm. Plaza Sun Room

Attending: Julie Donaldson, Evelyn Hicks, Bonnie Keller, Wyma Rogers, Ann Phelps and Elizabeth Olsen, members; Pam Brown, Council Liaison; Kristen Larsen, Administration Liaison

Absent: Jody Everts, Member; Monique Ziesmer, Property Development

Call to Order at 1 pm

Minutes from April approved

Discussion topic:

Handling complaints. Wyma Rogers:

A policy is needed for the Committee to reference and maintain consistency of responses to complaints. Casual complaints may be fielded by Committee members but should always be conveyed to APA Chair who can keep track of areas of concern. Differentiate these from a more serious complaint that should be referred to APA Chair who will explain the procedure for documenting and responding to such complaints.

A small word change was edited in the draft and the Policy and Procedure was then approved by acclamation.

Reports and updates: Chair, Wyma Rogers:

- Letters and praise
 - Nicole was pleased with the latest work in the Neighborhoods
 - Thank you received from Eve Miller from whom we bought the final picture for the Blue Wall in the Neighborhoods
 - Carol Hagan sent an elaborate thank you package after we purchased LIFT OFF reproduction of the fox
- 4 of the 5 Rachel Frankel donations were painted by Barbara
- Blue Heron policy clarified that no benefit is derived from making donations to the Foundation
- Report to Council and next articles in Views – the recent report to Resident Council was well received. Future topics featured in

Willamette Views may also be reported at Council meetings on an issue by issue basis.

- Neighborhoods - What is left to be accomplished:
 - 3 Neighborhoods
 - 8 restrooms
 - Nurses' Station (1 piece)
 - Beauty Shop (1 piece)
 - 1st floor across from elevator (1 large piece)
- Planning Session rescheduled for June 16, 1:00 to 2:15 p.m. Will review what we have done in 2024 and in the first part of 2025. Discuss planning for the rest of this year and '26 - '27.
- Buying for the rest of the year – The focus will be on less expensive pieces going forward including purchases from art.com.

Treasurer: Ann Phelps

The 2025 Blue Heron Foundation Grant of \$20,000 has a balance of close to \$8,000. We may consider setting aside \$1,500 to \$2,000 for supplies which leaves an average monthly spending balance of around \$1,000 per month. Consider \$500 to \$1000 limit at NW Marine Works Open Studio. The \$5,000 budget for The Neighborhoods now has a balance of \$95.69

Archivist: Ann Phelps

Photography teams: There are currently 8 people volunteering in 4 teams of 2. Volunteers are being asked to count the number of art pieces on hallways and report if there are discrepancies with the supplied sheet listing hall art. APA Chair will respond to the two examples of discrepancies reported so far. A need was expressed for a policy to respond to residents installing personal work in common areas. Restrictions are listed in the WV Resident Handbook and other places. Such misplaced work is technically deemed the property of Willamette View.

Council Liaison: Pamela Brown

Again, Pam expressed the Council's appreciation of and support for APA.

Staff Liaison: Kristen Larsen

There have been compliments and thanks for the Glass Houses installation. The current estimate for completion of Health Center

construction is August 2025. Currently work is being done on kitchens and they are somewhat sealed off to minimize dust, etc.

There is a Corey Pressman (cold wax and pigment) Workshop planned for early June in The Commons. Watch for news in the upcoming Artworks email. There is also an upcoming workshop with Liz Walker.

Kristen will confirm with Kristy whether The Neighborhoods are ready for art hanging. Information about scheduling of retrofit work anticipated in the Manor would also be helpful to plan APA art hanging updates there.

Wall Works: Bonnie Keller and Evelyn Hicks

With the growth of *Sew Be It*, more fiber art is arriving for display in Wall Works. Many require different hanging methods and some arrive without being ready to be hung. Plan: Bonnie will teach (and may provide a handout) to those who can teach others how to put a sleeve on the back of quilts with a hanging rod pocket. Artworks may be able to help residents prepare fiber art for hanging. The announcement to potential Wall Works contributors could include *textile art* by name in the request that submissions be ready to hang.

Julie and Elizabeth volunteered to help with hanging of Wall Works art, as needed, in the upcoming months.

Jury process:

Committee reviewed and selected art from the Mart and recent donations to add to Willamette View collection.

Adjourn at 2:30 pm

Upcoming dates:

Monday, June 16 APA Planning Session, Mount Jefferson 1:00 to 2:15

Saturday, May 31 NW Marine Art Works Open Studios, 10-4

Wednesday, June 11 APA Business Meeting 9:00 a.m. Mt. Jefferson Room

Friday, June 20 Art in the Park at Lake Oswego Festival of Arts 9-5

Tuesday, July 8 APA sponsored tour of Hallie Ford Museum with lunch and lecture.