

**Kentucky Arts Council Board Emergency Meeting Minute**  
**June 28, 2019**  
**KAC Office, Frankfort, KY**

**Board Attendance**

Sallie Lanham, Jeanie Dorton, Mary Michael Corbett, Lindsey Jaeger, Angela Rice, Luanne Mattingly, Janice Turpen, Nathan Mick, Dior Cotton

**Absent:** Doug Adams, Andee Rudloff, Everett McCorvey, Paul Fourshee, Elizabeth Griffith, Janell Samuels

**Staff**

Chris Cathers, Emily Moses, Sandie Lawrence

**Board Director Comments**

The meeting was called order at 10:17 a.m. Board Chair Mary Michael Corbett explained that the board did not have a quorum at its June 21 board meeting in Owensboro and was therefore unable to approve grants. She said she appreciated members coming to the meeting so that the KAC grants can be approved.

**Approval of Minutes from March 2019 Meeting**

No comments or changes to minutes from the March meeting. Motion made to approve the minutes by Luanne Mattingly, seconded by Nathan Mick. Approved by all members.

**Approval of Grants**

KAC Executive Director Chris Cathers explained the Al Smith and Emerging Artist awards were given this year in a special songwriting category. One award was given for each program. Cathers said six grants were recommended out of seven applications in the Folk and Traditional Arts program. Jeanie Dorton chaired the panel and said looking at the scores, you can see there was a major difference in numbers, which is why all grants weren't approved.

Kentucky Arts Partnership panels were chaired by Lindsey Jaeger, Mary Michael Corbett, Luanne Mattingly and Paul Fourshee. Jaeger said, from her observation, if all of the arts organizations paid attention to the advice they received during the panel discussion, they would realize they are saving a lot of money in consulting fees. Mattingly agreed and said grantees have the opportunity to improve their grant writing skills by taking to heart what the panelists say. Corbett agreed and encouraged board members who haven't yet chaired a panel to do so. She said the panel chair is responsible for keeping the process on track and said you learn so much from listening. She said it's very easy, very educational and a lot of fun.

Corbett requested we compare last year's KAP funding amounts to this year's so the board will be able to answer questions about the difference in numbers.

Dior Cotton asked how KAC finds panelists. Cathers explained different sources like meetings, other state arts agencies, KAC's extended network of experts, etc. Cotton also asked how the KAP funding is

determined. Cathers explained there was a formula that takes into consideration scores, eligible revenues and other sources, including the availability of funding for the program.

Cathers chaired the Teaching Art Together and Teaching Artist Directory panels. He said there were only a few applicants that applied for Teaching Art Together. He said as changes have been made to the core curriculum, we are seeing fewer of those applications.

Lindsey Jaeger asked for clarification on the way KAP funding was determined. She said if the amount of money isn't based on the scoring then how is funding determined? She wanted to be certain that the funding is not based on the discretion of the staff. It is not. Cathers said the funding was based on a complex formula. The formula is based on available funds, tier-based funding caps, scores, eligible revenues and other factors.

Corbett asked for a motion to approve the grants. Nathan Mick abstained from voting for KAP Tier 6. Sallie Lanham made the motion, Janice Turpen seconded. All approved.

### **Board Discussion**

Corbett said the next meeting will be in Somerset and is being planned by Janice Turpen. The date is Sept. 13 with activities starting Sept. 12.

Corbett said Janell Samuels offered to have the December meeting at Maker's Mark but in order to see the Stephen Rolfe Powell exhibit there the meeting should be moved to November. Looking at Friday, Nov. 22 for the meeting. Most in attendance said the meeting date should work fine.

Jeanie Dorton made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Sallie Lanham seconded; all approved.