

Murray Arts Advisory Board
Minutes for May 15, 2018

Attendance: Becca Spjute, Deborah Daines, Clark Bullen, Lori Steadman, Wendy Richhart
Lori Edmunds, Katie Lindquist staff
Excused: Alisa Brousseau,

1. Minutes for April 17, 2018 have been approved as written.
2. Staff Reports

A. Past Month – Activities

- April Resident on Display – Marjorie Anderson

The artist for May was not responding to Jennifer and Lori's efforts to contact her for her show so Lori explained that Jennifer Broschinsky has graciously decided to share more of her work this month as we had some time sensitive advertising dates we needed to meet.

- April 9, Grant afterschool musical performed 3 times with 37 students and 1600 in attendance.
- April 14, Murray Concert Band, HJH, had 212 in attendance.
- April 21, Murray Storytelling Festival, had a total of 212 students moving on to the festival for judging. A total of 1314 students participated from all schools except for Horizon, McMillan, and Woodstock elementary schools.
- April 30, Liberty afterschool musical had 54 student participants and 700 in performance attendance.
The total attendance for all 10 schools was 10,140 attendees, and 417 student performers.
- May 8-10, Secondary Art Show, with 175 students submitting 241 entries.

B. Upcoming Events

- June 2, Hairspray, sing a long 9:00 p.m., amphitheater

This will be the opening of the summer season, Arts in the Parks. It is a movie/musical that will be shown at the amphitheater. Food trucks will arrive at 8:00 p.m., the costume contest at 8:30 p.m., and the movie will start at 9:00 p.m.

The lunch and children's matinee's will start in June:

- June 5, Michael Robinson, Cowboy Poetry, pavilion #5 noon
- June 7, Stephanie Raff, Storytelling, pavilion #5, 2:00 p.m.
- June 9, One Voice Children's Choir 8:00 p.m., amphitheater
- June 12, Eastern Arts, Ethnic Dance, pavilion #5, noon
- June 14, Nino Reyes, Native American Drum, pavilion #5
- June 20, Clever Octopus, 9:30-11:30 a.m., pavilion #5 Murray Park
- June 21-23, 25-27, Thoroughly Modern Millie 8:00 p.m., amphitheater

- C. Arts in the Parks brochures have been printed and sent to all the elementary schools. They have been delivered to the Senior Recreation Center, Murray Library, and Murray School District. D. Wright at the district has also placed the brochure on Peach Jar website where all of the schools place their advertisements.
- D. Tickets went on sale and we have sold 16 season passes so far.

- E. The Music Specialist grant application from Melissa Hamilton, director of Elementary Teaching and Learning at Murray School District was discussed and finalized. The board desires to fund the grant as Melissa supports having a music specialist in each school. However, she would need more funding and the budget for FY 2018-19 has been set. The budget for that fiscal year will not support the \$48,000 she has requested nor is the board in favor of supporting that much funding until they feel the music program more fully fulfills the cultural arts vision for the program. The board suggested the amount of \$35,000 and Lori reminded them that they would need to appraise the situation by the end of the 2018 calendar year so that the budget would be able to accommodate more funding. This would occur if the board felt the music residency program was making the appropriate changes. The board made the recommendation to fund them with \$35,000 and Mayor Camp decided to fund them \$30,000.

- F. Lori made mention that at least one new board person is needed as soon as possible. She received a few contacts from board members.

The meeting was adjourned, and the next meeting was scheduled for June 19, 2018.