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MCCUNE COLLECTION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING – 4:30 PM. June 3, 2024 Council Chambers

- 1. CALL TO ORDER – 4:34 pm**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. ROLL CALL**

Present: Joel Benson, Chair; James Petka, Vice Chair; Commissioners Henry Beecher, Rebekah Truemper, Vince Tajima (arrived 4:44 pm)

Absent: None

4. ELECTIONS FOR OFFICERS POSITIONS

Action: Nominate and vote on Officers positions, Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer. By motion, approve officers for the calendar year 2024

Vice Chair Petka nominated Chair Benson for the position of Chair for another term, seconded by Commissioner Truemper. Chair Benson accepted the nomination. Nomination passes unanimously 4-0, Commissioner Tajima absent.

Chair Benson nominated Commissioner Truemper for the position of Vice Chair, seconded by Vice Chair Petka. Commissioner Truemper accepted the nomination. Nomination passes unanimously 4-0, Commissioner Tajima absent.

Commissioner Beecher nominated Commissioner Tajima for the position of Treasurer, seconded by Commissioner Petka. Commissioner Tajima accepted the nomination. Nomination passes unanimously 5-0.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Report from City staff to the McCune Collection Commission

1. Reported that the Certificates of Appreciation that were handed out at the Boards, Commission and Committee Dinner were placed on each Commissioner's place at the dais. Reported that the City Council approved name badges for each Commission; name badges for each Commissioner were placed on each Commissioners place at the dais. Reported City Council selected Andrew Murray as the new City Manager. Also reported that the Council Liaison is present, however in military uniform and cannot be camera; has no report.

B. Report from Council Liaison to the McCune Collection Commission

1. No report

C. Report from McCune Foundation to the McCune Collection Commission

1. Commissioner Beecher reported that the Foundation will be meeting later this month, no further update.

D. Report from the Chair of the McCune Collection Commission

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1. No report.

E. Others

Commissioner Petka reported that all the new signs he requested are available, pictures on how to install them; two metallic signs for handicap access.

F. ACTIVITY REPORTS

1. Website

Commissioner Petka reported that there were six additions listed, single page; The City of Domes page; The Genesis of California Counties; German Benevolent Society 1854-1914; Historical and Descriptive Sketch Book of Napa, Sonoma, Lake and Mendocino, Comprising Sketches of Their Topography, Productions, History, Scenery, and Peculiar Attractions; History of California; and one pull-down menu.

2. Art Walk

Remove from agenda

3. Volunteer Program – Commissioner Beecher reported one person shown interest.

6. COMMUNITY FORUM

None

6. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

Recommendation: By motion, approve the agenda for the June 3, 2024, McCune Collection Commission regular meeting and approve the minutes from the February 5, 2024, regular meeting.

Motion to accept the June 5, 2024, agenda, removing the Art Walk from the agenda, and the February 5, 2024, minutes made by Commissioner Beecher, seconded by Vice Chair Truemper, approved 5-0.

7. RECURRING BUSINESS

A. Acquisition of Items Donated to the McCune Collection

None.

B. Submission of Monthly Receipts for Reimbursement

None.

C. Docenting

Commissioner Beecher reported that one Sunday a month, starting in March, on each of the following Sundays the McCune was (or will be) open from 2 pm to 4 pm:

- March 24 – Benicia Novelists Circle – selected reading of their works in progress
- April 21 – Puppet show by Magical Moonshine (Michael and Valerie Nelson)
- May 26 – Poetry reading by Vallejo's Co-poet Laureates, Jacalyn Eyvonne and Kathleen Herrmann
- June 23 – Life and Work of Abby Fisher presented by Robert Brower, Esq (culinary historian)

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- July 21 – Victorian Era Magic Act by Chris Herren
- August 25 – Cultivating Heritage Roses by Darrel Schramm

8. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Selection of Volumes in Need of Preservation Using 2024 Funds

Chair Benson stated this is the last of the books previously selected list.

Commissioner Beecher stated that there were not enough funds to do all the preservation in one year.

Motion by Vice Chair Truemper, seconded by Commissioner Tajima to select volumes to be preserved and approve spending of \$1,450 for conservation of The Bay of San Francisco using \$1,357.97 from the City of Vallejo stipend and \$92.03 from the Program Reserve; approved 5-0.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Staff reported that at previous Commission meeting, Chair Benson requested the policy and procedure of the use of the Albion press be reviewed, and Vice Chair Truemper requested information on how the Endowment is managed. Discussion by Commissioners followed. By consensus Commissioners requested that there be a review of the draft policy and procedures of the use of the Albion press be placed on the next meeting agenda as an action item. Regarding the topic of how the Endowment is managed, Vice Chair Truemper suggested she meet with Finance staff and report back as an alternative to have them attend a meeting. Staff will check with Finance to schedule a meeting and suggested that Treasurer Tajima be included in the meeting with Finance. Commissioner Beecher requested that the status of the Policy Book be placed on the agenda for future consideration. Discussion regarding holding a goal setting/work plan meeting in October be placed on the next meeting agenda.

10. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** Staff will check on date(s) for a Special meeting in September.

11. ADJOURNMENT – 5:45 pm

Motion by Chair Benson to adjourn.

ATTESTED:

Joel Benson, Chair

Annette Taylor

Annette Taylor, Staff Liaison