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Council Members Present: Mary Lee, Patrick Widhalm, Patti Nelson, Gena Gore, Jill Hackney, Rodneya Hart, Kyle Wedberg, Mayor Adam Holland

Council Members Absent: Waynette Ballangee, Kip Holloway, Gene Meneray, Olivia Regard, Margie Camardelle, Rep. Michael Kirk Talbot

LDOA and CRT Staff Present: Gaye Hamilton, Kristin Sanders

I. Call to Order and Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 11:00am by Chair Mary Lee.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved. Patti Nelson motioned to approve. Jill Hackney second. Motion approved.

III. LSAC Chair Report: Mary Lee welcomed everyone. She indicated this would be a short meeting today due to the arranged tour of the arts districts in Monroe/W. Monroe by Kelsea McCrary, arts volunteer and employee representative for Centurylink.

- She introduced new LSAC members Kyle Wedberg: President and CEO, New Orleans Center for Creative Arts and Rodneya Hart: Exhibition Manager, Louisiana Art and Science Museum, Baton Rouge; Art Manager and Curator, The Healthcare Gallery, Baton Rouge.
- Mary also presented information on the new initiative Shop Local Artists Week, Dec. 2-8, 2017. She noted the website, shoplocalartistsweek.com and indicated that individuals and organizations have the opportunity to submit their event details to the site. She also requested that everyone promote this statewide initiative and work in conjunction with their regional arts councils and local arts organizations, galleries and Main Street programs.

IV. Assistant Secretary/LDOA Director's Report: Kristin Sanders provided an update on OCD as well as LDOA in the absence of Cheryl Castille, Director.

LDOA Director's Report

- Cheryl is representing Louisiana at the NASAA Leadership Institute.
- LDOA's 3-year strategic plan draft and grant for NEA funding was submitted on 9-29-17
- LDOA strategic plan draft will be submitted to LSAC to be reviewed at the January 2018 meeting. The plan will then be sent to all nine Regional Arts Council Executive Directors and then submitted for public comment/review through Survey Monkey.
- **Grants** - grant contracts and agreements all being completed for General Operating Support and DAF. We are beginning work on restructuring of the DAF program to create a more effective and sustainable use of the funds. We will keep them updated as we the process evolves.

- **Percent for Art** - LSU Union project moving ahead with the shipping of Juanjo's sculpture. Work has begun on the Nichols State Culinary Institute project.

- **Accessibility** - partnerships continue to be developed nationally and locally. Addressing the need to initiate programs for military and veterans.

- **Folklife**: BR Traditions project wraps up the end of October at the Louisiana Book Festival. Musical instrument-makers project continues. Maida presented the project focus and schedule at kickoff event (this Thursday) for Festivals Acadiens et Creoles in Lafayette. Continues to work on completion of archiving the Folklife photographic collection.

- **Cultural Districts**: Four new districts have been added to the program representing St. John the Baptist parish. The national partnership initiative, Sound Places, will be completed the end of this year and presented at the Chamber Music America annual conference in January 2018

V. Public Comment

No public comment at this meeting.

VI. Meeting Adjournment

Gena motioned to adjourn the meeting. Patrick 2nd the motion. Motion passed.