1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Arts and Culture Commission meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. with Chair Maribel Wyatt presiding.

2. ROLL CALL:

Commission Members Present:  
   Marc Allaman, Commissioner  
   Kat Bahry, Vice-Chair  
   Jacob Cantu, Commissioner  
   Shivesh Sinha, Commissioner  
   Chad Vander Veen, Commissioner  
   Lucinda Winward, Commissioner  
   Maribel Wyatt, Chair

Commission Members Absent:  
None

Staff Present/Speaking  
Tom Hellmann, Community & Cultural Services Manager

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:

A. Oath of Office to Newly Appointed Commission Members

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, administered the oath of office to newly appointed commission members; Marc Allaman, Kat Bahry, Lucinda Winward, Chad Vander Veen and Maribel Wyatt.

B. Overview of Arts & Culture Commission

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, provided a brief overview of the purpose of the Arts & Culture Commission and the Folsom Municipal Code 4.07-Arts and Culture Commission documents which were included in the meeting packet for new commissioners to review.

5. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

None

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
A. November 10, 2022, Special Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commission Member Marc Allaman, second by Commissioner Lucinda Winward to approve the minutes of November 10, 2022. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES:  Commissioner(s): Allaman, Bahry, Cantu, Sinha, Vander Veen, Winward, Wyatt
NOES:  Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Election of Chair & Vice-Chair

Community and Cultural Services Manager Tom Hellmann introduced the election of Chair and Vice-Chair and opened the discussion to the commissioners to nominate a Chair and Vice-Chair for the coming year.

Motion by Commissioner Shivesh Sinha, seconded by commissioner Jacob Cantu to nominate Maribel Wyatt for Chair and Kat Bahry as Vice-Chair.

AYES:  Commissioner(s): Allaman, Bahry, Cantu, Sinha, Vander Veen, Winward, Wyatt
NOES:  Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

B. Selection of the Arts Achievement Recognition Awards Program Winners

Community and Cultural Services Manager Tom Hellmann reviewed with the commission the two nominees for the awards. Ritu Thirunahari was nominated for the Individual Art Achievement Award and Theory Dance was nominated for the Performing Arts Art Achievement Award. Both nominees were discussed by the commission. A motion was moved forward to award both of the nominees with the Art Achievement Award by Kat Bahry and seconded by Chad Vandeer Veen.

AYES:  Commissioner(s): Allaman, Bahry, Cantu, Sinha, Vander Veen, Winward, Wyatt
NOES:  Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

C. Creation of Public Art Subcommittee and Appointment of Members

Community and Cultural Services Manager Tom Hellmann opened the discussion to the commission to create a subcommittee to for the creation of public art. The committee discussed the creation of the subcommittee and how it would work.
Motion was moved forward by Commissioner Lucinda Winward and seconded by Marc Allaman to create a subcommittee and to appoint Marc Allaman, Kat Bahry, and Lucinda Winward to the subcommittee.

AYES: Commissioner(s): Allaman, Bahry, Cantu, Sinha, Vander Veen, Winward, Wyatt
NOES: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A. Gallery at 48 Natoma Exhibit

Tom Hellmann distributed postcards for the upcoming show titled, “Commentaries in Cloth”. The exhibit will run from January 27, 2023, through April 6, 2023.

B. Manager’s Report

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, provided a written report to the commission. Tom reviewed the items on his written report and updated the commission on upcoming events.

9. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Marc Allman mentioned we should try to encourage people submitting artwork for the Art Achievement Awards be more distinguished. He also welcomed Chad Vandeer Veen to the commission.

Commissioner Kat Bahry had to leave the meeting early so had no comments.

Commissioner Jacob Cantu mentioned he was talking with the vice president of construction at Folsom Lake College about having more art on campus and was encouraging talking more with people to start shifting toward these conversations about more art. He also welcomed Chad Vandeer Veen to the commission.

Commissioner Shivesh Sinha mentioned wanting to have a social mixer with some of the commissioners, understanding as long as there is no talking about commission work, he would like to see this happen.

Commissioner Chad Vandeer Veen mentioned a local business that was very interested in art and had an art room and encouraged people to visit it. He also mentioned Carl Sundahl Elementary School recently had a multi-cultural event and wondered how/if there could be a city-wide event of this type.

Commissioner Lucinda Winward commented that she likes to get out in the community and get to know people and the things happening in her community. After talking with people in the community she was motivated to request that we should add it to the agenda to talk more at our commission meetings about the culture part of arts and culture.
Commissioner Maribel Wyatt reminded the commission what the purpose of this commission is. She encouraged people to look out for opportunities to expose others to our commission. She encouraged the other commissioners to look out for arts in the community and recommendations for this year's Art Recognition Award. She stated she is looking forward to hearing what the subcommittee brings back to the commission.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no more business brought before the Folsom Arts and Culture Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:  ATTEST:

Dawn Klamm,  Maribel Wyatt; Chair
Administrative Assistant
Parks and Recreation Department