

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
Transcription of the Trustees Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 3:15pm
Video Conference

Meeting called to order at 3:15pm.

Full attendance listed in the meeting minutes.

Tom Papa, Chair: I'd like to call the meeting to order. It appears that we have a very good representation. Everybody seems to be here. I would like to make a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting.

David Goode: Second.

Tom Papa: Seconded by David. All in favor, please say aye.

Committee members: Aye.

Tom Papa: Anybody opposed? Just say nay. I guess it's silly to be doing the aye part of this on a video conference so maybe I'll just go back to just the nays. The ayes have carried it and the minutes are approved. Having said that, Michael, would you please take it from here?

Michael Taylor: Absolutely, thank you, Tom. Thank you to everyone. It's great to see so many people on the call. We have a lot of purchases, gifts and some deaccession to go through. So Stephanie, do you want to pull up the screen?

Caprice Bragg: Michael, I am so sorry. Please excuse me. We need to go into closed session.

Michael Taylor: Yep.

Caprice Bragg: Tom, would you like me to read that motion for you? (Offered as Tom Papa was having connection issues.) I'm going to go ahead and read that motion on Tom's behalf and we will get it in the record. The motion is, I propose that the Art Acquisition Sub-Committee meeting go into closed session to discuss proposed art purchases, gifts, deaccessions and loans. The relevant exemption is Section 2.2-3711(A)(6 and 10) of the Code of Virginia. Just reading that for Tom and assuming that Tom made that motion. We will need a second.

Caprice Bragg: Who was that, please?

Joan Brock: Joan Brock.

Caprice Bragg: Thank you. All right. Thank you, Michael.

Michael Taylor: Thank you, Caprice. All is in order.

At 3:20pm the meeting went into closed session.

At 5:01pm the meeting resumed in open session.

Tom Papa: At this point, what I'd like to do is propose that the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee recommend to the full Board of Trustees that they approve the gift, deaccession and loan considerations as fully described in the meeting packet and as we just heard. I ask for somebody to second that.

Unidentified: So moved. Second.

Tom Papa: Okay, all in favor, please say aye. Anybody oppose? The ayes carry it and that's accomplished. Lastly, this time of year we are winding down and they'll become a period between December 1st and December 31st where gifts may come to the museum, where people for various reasons, most often tax purposes, want to make gifts and so, the next motion is calculated to give Alex and/or Michael the right to accept gifts on behalf of the museum between December 1st and December 31st. So I propose that the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee recommend to the Full Board of Trustees that Alex Nyerges and/or Michael Taylor be authorized to accept gifts of art offered to the museum between December 1st and December 31st of this year. Could I get a second?

Jeff Humber: Second.

Tom Papa: Thank you, Jeff. All in favor, please say aye.

Committee members: Aye.

Tom Papa: Anybody opposed, please say so now. Hearing nobody, the ayes carry it and the motion is carried. So, is there any other business that the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee, any member, wants to bring forth at this point? Hearing nothing, I hereby declare we are adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm.

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