

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
Minutes of the Trustee Education Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 2:00pm
Claiborne Robertson Room

There were present:

Jil Harris, Chair *via videoconference; personal due to travel*
Betty Crutcher, Vice Chair
Lynette Allston
Gil Bland
Carol Ann Bischoff
Joan Brock *via videoconference; personal due to scheduling*
Ken Dye *via videoconference; health*
Anne Edwards
Martha Glasser *via videoconference; personal due to scheduling*
Suzy Szasz Palmer
Michel Zajur
Monroe Harris, Trustee President, Ex-officio

Absent:

Satya Rangarajan
Rupa Tak
Ashlin Wilbanks

By Invitation:

Alex Nyerges, Director and Chief Executive Officer
Jeffrey Allison
Kay Baker
Candy Banks
Kelly Bisogno
Caprice Bragg
Stephanie Cooperstein
Celeste Fetta Neff
Carolyn Garner, Foundation Liaison
Jan Hatchette
Cindy Norwood, Office of the Attorney General
Mimi Ryland, Council President
Michael Taylor

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Dr. Betty Crutcher called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion: Proposed by Ms. Anne Edwards and seconded by Ms. Lynette Allston to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2021 Trustee Education Committee meeting as

distributed. Motion carried.

III. EDUCATION UPDATES

Director of Education Celeste Fetta Neff presented an overview of summer programming related to *The Dirty South: Contemporary Art, Material Culture, and the Sonic Impulse*, including an outdoor film and African and African America Art: Music and Tradition Family Day. These events expounded on the themes of music and artistic expression found within the special exhibition. Ms. Fetta Neff also touched on two new augmented reality programs, Hidden in Plain Site and Monumental Conversations, in which VMFA has been asked to participate. She concluded her report by announcing the dates for in-person lectures, which will also be live-streamed surrounding *Ansel Adams: Compositions in Nature* and *Man Ray: The Paris Years*.

IV. VMFA ON THE ROAD/STATEWIDE UPDATES

Mr. Jeffrey Allison, Manager of Statewide Programs and Exhibitions and the Paul Mellon Collection Educator, shared photos of recent VMFA Fellowship Exhibitions on display in the Richmond International Airport, the VMFA Pauley Center, and Amuse Restaurant. He also provided an update on *VMFA on the Road* residencies that have taken place in Fluvanna, Natural Bridge, Leesburg, and Spotsylvania. Mr. Allison also noted that it fully complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act. He concluded his report by describing upcoming fall events such as the Virginia Children's Book Festival, among others.

V. OTHER BUSINESS /ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Crutcher adjourned the meeting at 2:49pm.

Recorded by: Stephanie Cooperstein
Executive Administrator to the Chief Strategy Officer and
Deputy Director for Strategic Planning, Government and Board Relations