

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
Minutes of the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee Meeting
Thursday, December 2, 2021, 8:45am
Claiborne Robertson Room

There were present:

Tom Papa, Chair
Edie Cabaniss
Cindy Conner
Ken Dye
Janet Geldzahler
David Goode *videoconference; health*
Meg Gottwald
Jeff Humber
Andy Lewis
Michele Petersen

Absent:

Jil Harris

By Invitation:

Alex Nyerges, Director and Chief Executive Officer
Lynette Allston
Alexis Assam
Kay Baker
Candy Banks
Carol Ann Bischoff
Caprice Bragg
Charles Carroll
Valerie Cassel Oliver
Lee Ceperich
Stephanie Cooperstein
Sylvain Cordier
Sarah Eckhardt
Anne Edwards
Martha Glasser
Tom Gutenberger
Aiesha Halstead
Jan Hatchette
Li Jian
Sarah Kennel
Cindy Norwood, Office of the Attorney General
Sara O'Keefe
Christopher Oliver
Pam Reynolds
John Henry Rice
Peter Schertz

Barry Shifman
Suzy Szasz Palmer
Michael Taylor
Colleen Yarger

I. CALL TO ORDER

Sub-Committee Chair Tom Papa called the meeting to order at 8:47am.

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion: Proposed by Mr. Papa and seconded by Dr. Andy Lewis to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2021 meeting of the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee as distributed. Motion carried.

III. PURCHASE, GIFT, AND LOAN CONSIDERATIONS

At 8:50am the meeting went into closed session with the following motion:

Motion: Proposed by Mr. Papa and seconded by Mr. Jeff Humber that the Art Acquisitions 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. Motion carried.

At 10:20am, by motion proposed, seconded, and carried, the meeting resumed in open session.

Motion: Proposed by Mr. Papa and seconded by Mr. Humber that the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee certify that the closed session just held was conducted in compliance with Virginia state law, as set forth in the Certification Resolution distributed. Motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken, the results of which are outlined in the Certification Resolution.

Motion: Proposed by Mr. Papa and seconded by Mr. Ken Dye that the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee recommend to the Full Board of Trustees that they approve the purchase, gift, deaccession, and loan considerations as fully described in the meeting packets. Motion carried.

Motion: Proposed that the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee recommend to the Full Board of Trustees that Mr. Alex Nyerges and Dr. Michael Taylor be authorized to accept gifts of art offered to the Museum between December 2, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS/ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:26am.

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

MOTION: Tom Papa

MEETING: Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee

SECOND: Jeff Humber

DATE: December 2, 2021

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 (A) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Art Acquisitions Sub-Committee.

VOTE

AYES: Papa/ Cabaniss/ Connor/ Dye/ Geldzahler/ Goode / Gottwald/ Humber / Lewis/ Petersen

NAYS: None

ABSENT DURING VOTE: None

ABSENT DURING MEETING: Harris