

**TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY
ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 MEETING**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Bets Manera, Georgann Byrd, Jane Cole, Ellen Gerding, Bunny Gordon, Janie Russo, and Staff Liaison Natalie Montenegro.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Scott Simpson and Council Liaison Mary Hamway.

Chair Manera called the meeting to order at 2:15 on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at the Town Hall, 6401 East Lincoln Drive, in the Boardroom. The minutes of the April 19, 2011 meeting were approved as submitted.

The first order of business was to discuss the schedule of removing Louise McCall's exhibit and installing the Beth Ames Swartz exhibit. Several committee members volunteered to help take down the artwork and transport it to the home of Louise McCall. This is scheduled to take place at 10:00 a.m. on September 14.

Ms. Montenegro asked Ms. Russo to submit a note stating that she would like to continue serving on the Arts Advisory Committee so that the Council can reappoint her at the September 29 business meeting. She said she would do so.

Ms. Montenegro said that she will check with Mrs. McCall to determine when she will be available to attend a Town Council meeting to be recognized for displaying her fine art this past year. It will most likely be at one of the meetings in October, either October 13 or 27. The committee will be informed of the date selected so that they can attend.

Chair Manera reviewed the various responsibilities for the artist reception on October 11. Ms. Gerding will contact Carol Brecker to invite her to make a centerpiece. Ms. Gerding, Ms. Gordon and Ms. Montenegro will purchase the refreshments and the other committee members will arrive at 4:00 p.m. on that day in order to assist with the final preparations.

The Committee prepared the invitations for mailing. They will be mailed this week.

Chair Manera stated that Ed Mell is very interested in presenting his art at Town Hall. If his schedule permits he will be confirmed as the 2014 artist at a future meeting.

The next meeting will be scheduled for 3:00 PM, Tuesday, October 25 so that the Committee can critique this year's art opening. The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.