

**TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY  
ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF APRIL 29, 2014 MEETING**

Chair Gordon called the Arts Advisory Committee meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2014, at Town Hall, 6401 East Lincoln Drive, in the small conference room. Committee members present: Chair Bunny, Gordon, Louise McCall, Mardelle Mikus, Janie Russo and Staff Liaison Natalie Montenegrino. Committee members not present: Georgann Byrd and Mary Hamway. Committee Member Ellen Gerding moved out of Town and has resigned.

The minutes of the October 15, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

Chair Gordon welcomed new Committee Member Mardelle Mikus and gave her a packet describing the Committee's function. Natalie will order a name badge for Mardelle.

The Committee accepted the resignation of Committee Member Ellen Gerding who moved out of Town. Chair Gordon asked that the vacancy be advertised in the Paradise Valley Independent. Natalie will prepare the notice for the Paradise Valley Independent. She also asked the Committee members present to send to her by email anyone they know who might be interested in serving on the Arts Committee. Chair Gordon will call the Scottsdale Center for the Arts to inquire about placing a message inviting Paradise Valley residents to apply for the vacancy. The Committee will discuss potential members at the next meeting and make a recommendation for appointment. The Town Council will make the appointment either at the first meeting in June or when they meet next September.

The Committee discussed the Jerry Cox opening on October 14, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Chair Gordon stated that a letter describing what was needed was sent to Mr. Cox on April 17. Janie Russo said she will follow up with Jerry since he is her neighbor.

The Committee confirmed Michele Parker as the 2015 artist. Chair Gordon read a thank you note that she had received from Ms. Parker.

Natalie informed the Committee that Jean Adams sold her home and is no longer eligible to be the 2016 artist since she is not a Town resident. Ms. Adams said that the Town can continue to display her father's paintings in the Community Room indefinitely.

Natalie informed the Committee that the Dave McGary sculpture in the courtyard will be taken away mid-May to be cleaned and have the paint touched up. It will be returned by the end of July at the latest.

The Committee next discussed future artists. At the last meeting, Mary Hamway had said that she was approached by Jo Flittie, a resident artist who would like to be considered for a future exhibit. She is a photographer. Janie said that she will look at the websites for Janie Horn and Trish Mayberry to determine if they should be considered by the

committee. Mardelle said she will research Matthew Gerson. Chair Gordon said she will research Jennifer Weinstein. Two other artists named at the last meeting were Miriam Wechsler and Kathy Duley, who may not be an artist. Mardelle said she will research Kathy Duley, who she believes is married to Town resident Carroll Huntress. As mentioned at the last meeting, some artists may be connected with local galleries and are not permitted to display their art elsewhere.

The Committee discussed the guidelines to becoming a Committee member. Janie Russo said that perhaps the rules ought to be changed to allow artists who have already exhibited their work to become a Committee member. Chair Gordon said that the Committee will need to discuss this topic further at a future meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for September 9, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.