

SOUTH DAKOTA ARTS COUNCIL

Minutes of the July 22, 2024 meeting

8:30 am MDT

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Custer, SD 57730

1. Call to Order & Roll Call – Chairman Joanna Lawler called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. MDT

Council members present were Lawler, James Walker, Nan Venhuizen, Jane Rasmussen, Roger Broer, and Dohui Kim. Absent were Council members Cristen Roghair, Jon Mogen, Mary Bordeaux, Lee Ann Roripaugh, and Joshua Spies. Also present were SDAC Executive Director Patrick Baker, Deputy Director Rebecca Cruse, Grants Specialist Kate Vandell, Arts Program Coordinator Sarah Carlson, Traditional Arts Consultant Anne Hatch, and strategy consultant Greta Rudolph, 8 Bridges Workshop

2. Welcome – Cruse shared a brief SDAC team check-in presentation.

3. Public Comment – No public comments were submitted or offered for the meeting.

4. Secretary's Report – Secretary Venhuizen presented the minutes of the May 9, 2024 spring meeting.

Action: *Walker moved, Kim seconded approval of the minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.*

5. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Kim reported that approximately 67.3 percent of obligated grant funds have been paid out and that about 53 percent of FY24 grants remain open. It's expected that as the final reporting period closes July 31, grants will be closed out and the remaining funds will be drawn down in early August. The AISC program will expend 100 percent of budgeted funds and TA program will finish at about 90 percent expenditure.

6. Business of the Day –

a. Adoption of SDAC Strategic Plan – Cruse presented the final language for the FY25-FY30 Strategic plan for approval.

Action: *Rasmussen made a motion to adopt the strategic plan. Venhuizen seconded the motion. The plan was adopted via unanimous vote.*

b. New mileage rates for grants – Cruse presented a proposal to increase mileage reimbursement rates for grants that allow that expense, keeping with the state's recent increase from .51/mile to .655/mile.

Action: Venhuizen moved to approve the mileage reimbursement rate increase. Walker seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

c. Touring Arts Proposed changes for FY25 – Carlson presented a proposal to allow Touring Arts sponsor organizations in under-resourced counties to use in-kind funds as part of their matching requirement, reducing the cash match required.

Action: Walker moved to amend the Touring Arts program rules to include proposed changes. Broer seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

d. Required documentation in grant applications – Vandel presented a brief on proposed changes to the support documentation requirement for major grant applications for review only. No action was taken.

e. Cap increases on Arts Council Initiative, Statewide Services grants – Baker presented a brief outlining proposed guidelines for requested increases in these grant categories for review only. No action was taken.

f. Implementing scheduled grant payments – Vandel presented a proposal to begin using a schedule for paying grant awards for review only. No action was taken.

g. Combining interim grants – Baker presented a brief outlining a plan to combine all interim grants into one category that will continue to fund the same types of activities for review only. No action was taken.

h. Clarify prohibitions for Artist Project applicants – Vandel presented a brief outlining a clarification to Artist Project grant guidelines including language that applicants cannot apply to fund the same project in subsequent years for review only. No action was taken.

7. Reports –

a. State Arts Conference/roster artist pre-conference – Cruse, Baker

b. Traditional Arts program updates – Hatch

c. Website redesign updates – Carlson

d. Art For State Buildings archive – Carlson

e. SDAC Policy & Procedure Manual – Vandel, Baker

f. Grant Programs Audit update – Baker

g. NEA Update – information included in packet material.

h. NASAA Report to Councils – information included in packet material.

i. Arts Midwest updates – information included in packet material.

j. Arts South Dakota report – information included in packet material.

8. **Calendar** – Baker presented the SDAC calendar, included in packet materials, noting the fall meeting scheduled for Oct. 16-17 in Pierre and the Governor’s Awards in the Arts Feb. 12, 2025, in Pierre.

9. **Adjournment** – Broer made a motion to adjourn. Lawler adjourned the meeting at 11 am MDT.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rebecca Cruse, recording secretary