

## **SOUTH DAKOTA ARTS COUNCIL**

*Minutes of the May 6, 2020 meeting*

Held online due to COVID-19 pandemic

1. **Call to Order** – SDAC Chairman Mary Bordeaux called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

- A. Council members present were Lynne Byrne, Jim Walker, Jane Rasmussen, Keith BraveHeart, Dohui Kim, Laura Diddle, Brian Bonde, Lee Ann Roripaugh, John Mogen, Nan Venhuizen. No Council members were absent. Also present were SDAC staff members Patrick Baker, Rebecca Cruse, Kathryn Vandel, Sarah Carlson, and Traditional Arts Consultant Anne Hatch.
- B. Bordeaux reminded Council members to complete their conflict of interest forms for panel service.

2. **Public Comment Period** – Public comment submitted via email from Janet Brown was read by Baker, who then responded to some of the comments and clarified some of the information in the submitted public comment.

3. **Secretary's Report** – Sec. Keith BraveHeart presented the minutes of the Nov. 8, 2019 meeting.

***Action: Diddle made a motion and Bonde seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All members voted in favor of the motion.***

4. **Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer Dohui Kim reported the status of the FY20 budget. Baker explained some of the changes caused by grant cancellations due to the COVID-19 pandemic and how those funds will be reobligated to raid response initiatives. He also explained that the agency is receiving emergency relief funding from the National Endowment for the Arts through the CARES Act and how those funds would be processed and distributed by the Arts Council.

5. **Approval of FY21 Grant Recommendations** –

*A. Panel reports and recommendations:* Arts Discipline Panel chairs reported each panel's recommendation and comments to the Council. 1) Literature Panel, Roripaugh; 2) Media Arts Panel, Bonde; 3) Arts Challenge I Panel, Rasmussen; 4) Arts Challenge II Panel, Byrne; 5) Multidisciplinary Panel, Kim; 6) Music Panel, Diddle; 7) Theatre Panel, Walker; 8) Traditional Arts Panel, Bordeaux; 9) Visual Arts Panel, BraveHeart; 10) Secondary Review Panel for Artist Grant Recommendations, Walker.

*B. Staff report, initiatives and special projects:* Baker presented the funding recommendations for joint-initiatives and special projects and discussion was held about decreased funding for Arts South Dakota and joint initiatives. Bonde expressed concerns that funding cuts would harm the organization. Baker explained that the partner agency would see a decrease in funding for the coming fiscal year, as would all grant categories, in part due to budget constraints but also due to some programming which is ending.

**6. Approval of FY21 Grants, Initiatives, and Special Projects Budget –**

*Action: Walker moved to approve the FY21 Grants, Initiatives and Special Projects budget. Kim seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.*

**7. Calendar** – Baker noted that the pandemic situation could mean we will change our summer and fall meeting dates and that many calendar items will be postponed or cancelled.

**10. Adjournment** – Bordeaux adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rebecca Cruse, recording secretary