



(314) 863 5811
(314) 863 6932 FAX
WWW.ART-STL.COM

REGIONAL ARTS
COMMISSION OF ST. LOUIS



**Regional Arts Commission
Executive Committee Minutes - DRAFT
May 27, 2021 @ 10:30 AM via ZOOM**

Attendees



Mont Levy, John Russell, Kellie Trivers, Cheryl Walker, David Wilson

Absent: Andrea Purnell

Staff: Vanessa Cooksey

Other: Lea Sutherlin, Admin Consultant

Welcome and Call to Order

Levy called meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

Levy asked Cooksey to report on the following:

• **May 2021 Cash Flow Update**

Cooksey: Met with Gratza and Donovan (KEB); Hotel/Motel Room Sales Tax came in under original forecast; shared cash flow sheet with this committee and highlighted – in detail – Hotel/Motel Room Sales Tax; Board Fundraising; Payroll; Building Equipment and Maintenance Supplies; and Contingency.



Discussion held regarding (1) budget gap; (2) fund development and the Board's \$100K fundraising commitment and possibly connecting board giving to a project; (3) upcoming grant payments, new strategy/outline for grants program and GMS selection; (4) RAC business operations; (5) new staffing model hires in July, August, and September 2021; and (6) brief recap of recent Ad Hoc Facilities Committee meeting.

• **June Meeting Topics**

Cooksey highlighted the following June meeting topics: (1) working closely with City and County on RAC commissioner terms review; (2) upcoming introductory meeting with Cooksey and St. Louis County Executive Page – Levy will also attend; (3) fund

development and making a case for RAC to receive America Rescue Plan Funds, NEA Funds, local block grants and other revenue sources; and (4) Ad Hoc Facilities Committee update.

- **Commission Retreat Timing**

Cooksey asked for guidance on the timing for the 2021 Commission Retreat.

Discussion held regarding possibly scheduling for September or October; and coordination with Town Hall Meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Cooksey will re-send bylaws to full Commission.

The Executive Committee meeting ended at 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by Lea Sutherlin
Administrative Consultant