

**MINUTES**  
**ARTS COMMITTEE**  
**REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF OTTAWA-CARLETON**  
**Honeywell Room**  
**16 August 1999**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:**

Chair: A. Loney

Members: R. Cantin, J. Armour, P. Durr, J. Harvey

Staff: G. Houle, Committee Coordinator  
J. Jackson, Legal

**REGRETS:**

D. Holmes, B. Osborne

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**That the Arts Committee confirm the minutes of 17 May 1999.**

CARRIED

**REGULAR ITEMS**

1. Arts Committee Member

Councillor Loney welcomed Councillor R. Cantin as a member to the Arts Committee.

2. Presentation by SAW Video and IFCO

As representatives of SAW Video and IFCO were unavailable, Councillor Loney suggested that the presentation by SAW Video and IFCO be rescheduled.

3. Presentation by Théâtre la Catapulte

Joel Beddows of Théâtre la Catapulte introduced himself and thanked the Region on behalf of all artists for providing financial assistance and on-going support. Mr. Beddows advised the meeting that he would like to present a few recommendations on the Region's granting process and also have some questions answered. During discussions, Councillor Loney asked that Mr. Beddows, on behalf of his board, send the Arts Committee an official communication setting out their opinions as soon as possible.

4. An Arts Industry Strategy for Ottawa-Carleton Task Force Report - Referral

Councillor Loney pointed out that this item was referred to the Arts Committee for comment by the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee. It was suggested that this item be discussed at the next meeting and the Arts Committee comments be made at that time.

5. Arts Grants Program - Modifications

Councillor Loney reported on this recommendation and felt that a new category was required to respond to some of these needs and that more money was also required for this category. Councillor Loney also suggested that perhaps these organizations be informed that they should submit an application should the arts policy come into effect. While funding cannot be guaranteed they would meet the deadline for next year's grants if there is an increase to the arts budget. Further discussions followed and it was noted that this matter does need to be addressed and should be brought forward during the Draft Arts Policy and budget discussions.

MOVED BY JOCELYN HARVEY:

**That this recommendation be tabled pending further budget discussions.**

CARRIED

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## OTHER BUSINESS

### Information Items

#### Call for Proposals : Exhibition Space

G. Houle informed the meeting that 7 proposals were received for the Exhibition Space and that the first show would be from the Corporate Collection scheduled for October. A second Call for Proposals was to get additional names for the Exhibition Committee and for the name of the Exhibition Space as the first call only yielded a few responses. The deadline for this is 8 September 1999.

#### Call for Submissions : Transpoetry

The Call for Poems went out in June and resulted in 60+ poems from 23 English poets along with total of 70+ poems from 26 Francophone poets. The juries will be meeting to select the winners and a date for the official launch will be determined. It was noted that funds have been secured from the Canada Council for this program.

#### Draft Arts Policy

G. Houle informed the Committee that the Draft Arts Policy would be available for their comments by the end of the week and that following a brief period for changes, editing and translation it would be available for public comment by mid-September. This will be a discussion item at the September meeting of the committee.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

## NEXT MEETING

4:00 p.m. Monday, 27 September 1999

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Committee Coordinator

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Chair