

League of Women Voters of Pullman Observer Report

Name of Agency: **Pullman Arts Commission** Date: **June 11, 2019**

Observer Reporting: Uta Hutnak

Members Present:

Jeri Harris - Chairperson, Joanna Bailey, John Rich, Judy Dunne, D. Brady Boone

Excused: Meg Conley, Tyler Kirshner

Unexcused: Suzanne Polle

Others Present: 1 visitor, an artist who participated in ArtFest

The focus of this meeting was to review ArtFest 2019

Consensus was that it was a successful event and all commissioners can be proud of their efforts.

Comments:

The band that stepped in for the PHS group as the first performance was somewhat inappropriate for the family audience – in the future performers need to be carefully selected. The focus should be on quality and variety and it is important to get an early commitment. The payment for entertainers needs to be standardized.

The Beer Garden was somewhat slow, however that was expected in the first year. Maybe fewer tables and chairs should be set up.

More food vendors need to be recruited. The problem is that ArtFest is on a Saturday morning and therefore competes with the Moscow Farmers market for food vendors.

The punch cards and the raffle prizes were very popular and the system worked well.

The artist reception schedule and times weren't clearly listed in the program, which made it difficult for patrons to get to some of the artist receptions.

The Meet and Greet event at RTOP and the Mayor's Art Award presentation went very well.

The commissioners presented an ArtFest T-shirt to Lisa Hohnholz, the artist who designed the ArtFest logo.

The budget will be reviewed at the next meeting. A report will be submitted to the Chamber (grant report) and to the City Council. The members signed Thank You notes to the in-kind donation donors.

Proposed dates for ArtFest 2020: May 15 – 16, 2020

Action possibilities:

If any League members attended ArtFest and have suggestions for next year's event, they may contact Joanna Bailey at jbailey@neill-lib.org