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PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION	January 15, 2026
MEETING MINUTES	Library Rogers Room, ZOOM

Minutes Approved as Revised 02.19.2026

1.	<u>CALLED TO ORDER:</u>
	Dana Eytzen, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.
	ROLL CALL: Dana Eytzen, Pat Truax, Linda Taylor, Susan Dieter-Robinson, Emily Lux, Orson Marcel, Kathleen Leatham,
	ABSENT:
	EXCUSED: Mariah Amador, Brian Harris, Brenna Cooper
	STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Winters
	COUNCIL PRESENT: Donna Gustafson
2.	<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u>
	None
3.	<u>CONSENT AGENDA:</u>
	Approve November 20, 2025 minutes: Corrections: none
	Consent Agenda – a motion was made to approve the minutes as written by Emily and seconded by Pat. And was approved unanimously.
4.	<u>ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:</u>
	<u>N/A</u>
5.	Discussion/Decision Items:
	1. Introductions- Kim Ezell, Assistant City Manager
	2. Election of Officers: Pat made motion, Linda seconded, to re-elect current slate of officers. Unanimous approval. Dana Eytzen, Chair/Treasurer; Emily Lux, Vice Chair; Brian Harris, Secretary

	<p>3. 20th Anniversary Celebration: September 7-26th PAC will be featured in the display case in front of the Library. Discussion Re: what celebrations/events to plan. Proposed emphasis on activities in September, with secondary events throughout the year. Kathleen Leatham indicated interest in hosting a Meet the Artist Dinner for Maggie Pike close to September. A contest to obtain art for a card celebrating the arts in F.G, was proposed. Decided to make detailed plans and a schedule of events at our annual retreat this winter. Bring ideas then. Noted that the Library Foundation will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary in 2026.</p> <p>4. Downtown Art Installation(s) FY26-27 TLT Funds - Clock and Rotating Gallery Subcommittee approved by Council. Preliminary discussions focused on an alternative to four 'monument' sculptures in favor of creating a trail of 'hidden gems' that 'tell a story' about Forest Grove to maximize public interest and interaction. The possibilities are wide-ranging, but featuring small local wildlife sculptures attached to things such as benches, light poles and water fountains along with emblems imbedded in the sidewalk generated considerable enthusiasm. An informal meeting with the City Manager and Councilor Gustafson will be scheduled to preview the concept before further planning takes place.</p> <p>5. Downtown Corridor Waste Enclosures Subcommittee approved by Council. Sub-Committee met with Historic Landmarks and 3 main ideas emerged: 1. Use historic photos 2. Use iconic Forest Grove images 3. Do a 'call for art' with a more abstract aesthetic. With 22 garbage cans to cover, identifying appropriate materials to use is a high priority. A contest to request 'kid art' was also proposed. There were varied opinions, but general agreement that whatever was selected for waste enclosures should complement the downtown art installations. Sub-Committee will contact the waste enclosure company for materials recommendations and meet with Councilor Gustafson and the City Manager to review possibilities.</p> <p>6. Annual Retreat Date tentatively scheduled for 9am-12pm, Sat. March 28th, with February 19th PAC meeting also being partially dedicated to planning the 20th Anniversary Celebration.</p>
<p>6. INFORMATION / UPDATE ITEMS:</p>	
	<p>1. Art Identification Plaques and Seven Generations Plinth Fencing has been installed.</p> <p>2. Frye Building Mural Update pending.</p>

	<p>3. Finance Report "Fall into Art" artists donated \$290. to PAC</p>
7.	<p><u>B/C COMMUNICATIONS:</u> Dana shared that Waltz Brewing has a weekly bluegrass jam on Thursday evenings and a special performance by the Pati Rojas Band scheduled for Jan. 31st.</p>
8.	<p><u>STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:</u> From Colleen: Colleen also reminded PAC to check-out the enhancements in the library's new children's area, and the new furniture in front of the fireplace purchased by the Library Foundation. Carolina Velazquez has resigned and is now working at Tigard Public Library.</p>
9.	<p><u>COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:</u> From Councilor Gustafson: The City Council has adopted a Sanctuary City Ordinance Mariana Valenzuela has been re-elected as Council President</p>
10.	<p><u>ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:</u> Next meeting February 19th @ 5pm in Rogers Room in Library</p>
11.	<p><u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> The meeting was adjourned by Dana at 6:26pm Respectfully Submitted by Linda Taylor</p>