

**MINUTES
CULTURAL FOUNDATION OF BROWARD, INC
Friday, June 13, 2008
ArtServe
1350 East Sunrise Blvd.
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida**

Present: Peter Palin (President), Mary Becht, Melanie Camp, Pamella Dearden, Maureen Kohler, Renée LaBonte, Sally Robbins, Jody Leshinsky, Patricia Zeiler

Absent: Margaret Armand, George Gadson, Jane Katterhenry, Deborah Kerr, Fran Mulcahy, Roberta Young

The meeting was called to order at 12:16 p.m. by Peter Palin.

A motion was made by Pam Dearden and seconded by Melanie Camp to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

Peter Palin opened with thanks to Maureen Kohler for assistance with Moretti awards luncheon. The event was well attended. He continued with introductions on the Jonathan Green festival, which he feels will be an excellent event for Broward County.

Melanie Camp continued with introduction of the Jonathan Green festival in Charleston, SC, which she has used as a model for Broward. Charles Allen Smith, the director of the documentary on Jonathan, will have a showing of his still photography at the James Schott Gallery in August. This will serve as a prelude to the October event sponsored by CF. There followed a detailed discussion of the budget. Renée LaBonte has agreed to sell CF a block of tickets for the 10/21 concert at \$20 each. Members reviewed the private foundation contact sheet prepared by Fran Mulcahy and will let Patricia know which they are contacting. Melanie updated all present on the Jubilee Dance Theatre presentation on June 20 which will include several works inspired by Jonathan's work. And Jonathan will be present at the June 20 concert.

Renée suggested that an event poster be prepared quickly. She will display this poster at her summer concert series beginning July 26. It was agreed that this poster would contain a photo image of Jonathan, one of his paintings and an insert of Lu Welters dancing.

All members felt that it was urgent that a comprehensive marketing plan be in place. The festival committee will meet on June 26 at 4pm at the Main Library, with ability for CF member to conference call in.

Patricia reported that the Arts Teacher of the Year event is moved up this year to September 24. CF has collected sufficient contributions to fund this event. Nova Southeastern has agreed to offer the winner a \$10K scholarship.

The Arts Integration Conference is August 13, 2008. CF will act as pass-through for school board, grant and foundation monies totaling \$60K. Mary Becht noted that there

would be an audit expense related with this project, and that expense needs to be factored into the budget. The poetry contest that is a piece of the Jonathan Green festival will have its kick-off at the conference. Posters and info on the entire festival will be available at the conference as well.

Roberta Young was not present so the Treasurer's report was tabled.

It was recommended that discussion on the Foster Fellowship would be postponed until January 2009, and that the discipline would be music.

Mary Becht updated all present on the county budget discussions. The worst case scenario is a 20% reduction. Tuesday, June 17 is the next budget hearing. Mary also reported that the MODS has raised \$16M of the \$20M total they need for their capital expansion project, with \$1M coming from the Tourist Tax reserve. Bonnet House has become the third museum in Broward to receive their national accreditation.

July 12 is the opening day of the Cultural Consortium Show at the MOA. Young at Art's construction project is moving forward.

Maureen reported that an online cultural calendar project at ArtServe has been funded by the Knight Foundation. Renée mentioned that it would be helpful to have a companion master calendar of nonprofit social events.

Renée announced that the Symphony of the Americas Women of Style and Substance nominee process is beginning. CF Board members are encouraged to contact Renée to place names in nomination.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45pm.