

**MINUTES**  
**Advocacy Committee**  
**Orange County Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Council**  
November 7, 2018  
Orange County Administration Center,  
201 S. Rosalind Ave., Orlando, FL 32801



**Members Present:** Sara Segal\*, Chair; Dan Calleja; Hal Kantor\*; RK Kelley [present on the phone]; Vicki Landon; Jennifer Quigley; Becky Roper\*; Rick Schell\*; Sara Van Arsdel;  
**Absent:** Cecelia Bonifay\*; Jan Clanton; Betsy Gwinn; Rae Ward

**Staff:** Terry Olson; Trudy Wild, *United Arts of Central Florida*

**Guest:** Flora Maria Garcia, *United Arts of Central Florida*

Chair Sara Segal called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m. and asked for public comment. There were no public comments.

Upon a motion by Vicki Landon and second by Dan Calleja, the minutes of the September 20, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.

Flora Maria Garcia reported on her meetings with local elected State legislators and the state-wide campaign led by the Division of Cultural Affairs working with local arts agencies to restore State funding for the arts. This year's request is \$61 million. She also plans to present the arts platform to the local county delegation meeting (not yet scheduled), with a performance from one of the cultural organizations.

A list of the newly elected officials from Orange County was distributed. It was suggested that now is the time to congratulate and welcome new commissioners. Trudy Wild offered to provide an updated listing of the elected officials as soon as contact information is known.

Orange County's TDT/ARC (TDT Funding) has opened Facilities grants and we are aware of about five applicants whose requests would likely use the remaining money allocated over the first five years.

Upon a motion by Becky Roper and second by Sara Van Arsdel, the committee unanimously recommended that Orange County initiate the development of a new 20-year sustainable cultural plan.

Staff was asked to see how the newly elected County Mayor and Commissioners might affect the members of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Council and the ARC. Ms. Roper offered to reach out to the leadership transition team and talk to Betsy VanderLey and Scott Boyd about how the arts fit into the new administration and the perceived need for a cultural plan. Hal will speak with Harold Mills and Linda Chapin.

Staff will seek to schedule another meeting for early December.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

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