



Cuyahoga County Monument Commission

Minutes

August 26, 2022

8:30 AM

ICA Art Conservation

2937 W. 25th Street

Pivot Center, 2nd Floor, #9

Cleveland, OH 44113

Call to Order – Meeting of Friday, August 26, 2022

Patrick Hewitt called the meeting to order. Roll call showed a quorum.

1. Attending –

Dr. Judith G. Cetina

Patti Choby

Patrick W. Hewitt

Joseph Nanni

Jill Paulsen

Juan Quirarte

Matt Rymer

Guests –

Annette Linden

Julie Reilly, Executive Director ICA

2. Minutes – July 29, 2022, approved. On a motion by Jill Paulsen, seconded by Joseph Nanni, to accept the minutes, the vote was unanimously approved.

3. Public Comments – No Public Comments.

4. Monument Inventory and Assessment Update – Matt Rymer provided an update that there is a meeting with Kevin Robinette on Friday September 2nd at 8:30 a.m. to meet with the Inventory and Assessment Subcommittee. Judy Cetina had a meeting with Kevin two weeks ago to review the painting *The Battle of Lake Erie* and the tiles that came from the Juvenile Court Building, and they will be meeting again to see the tiles and discuss the associated history.

Patti Choby arrived.

5. Superman Statue Update – Patrick Hewitt reported that bollards are planned to be installed around the convention center and near the proposed statue site.
6. Retention Schedule Update – Judy Cetina reported that the Retention Schedule was brought before the Records Commission where Patrick Hewitt presented the schedule. The schedule was approved and has now been sent to Columbus for approval from the Ohio History Connection and the State Auditor. Judy also stated that she is looking into video and audio recordings for retention rules.
7. Good and Welfare – Patrick Hewitt announced that there will be a new Cuyahoga County Legal Representative named Mark Heidorf working with the Monument Commission. Additionally, work is needed on the website to make it more robust, and Patrick will be exploring changes.
8. ICA Presentation & Overview – Ms. Julie Reilly, Executive Director of ICA Art Conservation, gave a presentation on art conservation, ICA, the role and benefit of art conservators, and goals of public art maintenance. Julie also spoke about having a written collecting policy for art organizations that lists the artist’s intent, ownership and intellectual control, material selection, design and fabrication methods, placement/siting, and maintenance of the site. Furthermore, the management of public art needs a current inventory of the works in a collection. Julie gave websites to access inventory information that has already been researched for guidance. Finally, Julie discussed the need for management of public art to include a baseline condition survey, site and art maintenance procedures and schedule, staff training for inspection and maintenance, and regular inspection by a conservator. Julie then gave the commission a tour of ICA work areas with different conservators showing the projects currently being worked on and the history of the pieces.
9. Adjournment – With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Joseph Nanni, seconded by Patti Choby, the commission unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.