

# OAKLAND COUNTY ART INSTITUTE AUTHORITY

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Dr. Swarn Rajpal

Barbara Whittaker

July 15, 2021

Chairperson Guastello called the meeting of the Oakland County Art Institute Authority to order at 8:31 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners' Pernick-Aaron Conference Room at 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Bldg. 12E, Pontiac, Michigan.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Thomas Guastello, Gretchen Adler, Dr. Swarn Rajpal, Barbara Whittaker (attending remotely from Bloomfield Hills, MI)

## **MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE:**

Dr. David Roberson

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Adler moved approval of the minutes of December 10, 2020, as presented. Seconded by Rajpal.

Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Rajpal moved approval of the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Adler.

Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **INTRODUCTION OF NEW AUTHORITY MEMBER**

Chairperson Guastello introduced Barbara Whittaker and Dr. Swarn Rajpal as the newest members of the Oakland County Art Institute Authority. Ms. Whittaker and Dr. Rajpal provided a brief overview of their backgrounds and experience.

## **PLANTE MORAN – END OF AUDIT LETTER AND FINANCIAL REPORT**

Tim St. Andrew, Plante Moran, provided some highlights of the results of the financial statement audit for the year ending November 30, 2020, including the audited financial statements and the audit letter.

Adler moved to receive and file the End of Audit Letter and Financial Report. Seconded by Rajpal.

Motion carried.

**2020 YEAR END UPDATE – DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS (DIA)**

Julie McFarland, Public Affairs Officer, Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA), reported on activities from 2020, including the four areas of the service agreement, which includes free admissions, participation in field trips, the senior program and community partnership programs. For those interested in the Inside Out Program, maps are available at [dia.org/insideout](http://dia.org/insideout).

The museum was closed last year, due to the pandemic, from March 13, 2020, through July 10, 2020, and reopened with restrictions, including limits on capacity. The total admissions for 2020 was 25,290, and capacity has been increasing for 2021, with an average of about 1,000 visitors per day. Robert Bowen, Chief Financial Officer EVP Finance & Operations, DIA, added that the current restrictions are 200 visitors per hour, and visitors are asked to register in advance.

**2021 ACTIVITY – DIA**

Judith Dolkart, Deputy Director of Art, Education and Programs, DIA, gave a brief overview of current exhibits as well as upcoming exhibits, which includes the following:

1. Robert Blackburn & Modern American Printmaking exhibit (March 20, 2021 – September 5, 2021)
2. Detroit Style: Car Design in the Motor City, 1950 – 2020 (November 15, 2020 – January 9, 2022)
3. Black is Beautiful: The Photography of Kwame Brathwaite (October 8, 2021 – January 16, 2022)
4. New Black Vanguard: Photography Between Art and Fashion (December 17, 2021 – April 17, 2022)
5. By Her Hand: Artemisia Gentileschi and Women Artists in Italy, 1500 – 1800 (February 6, 2022 – May 29, 2022)
6. Van Gogh in America (October 2, 2022 – January 22, 2023)

**APPROVAL OF THE FY 2020 BUDGET**

Adler moved approval of the FY 2020 budget, as follows:

Auditing	6,000.00
Accounting	3,000.00
Legal	12,000.00
Meeting & Professional	14,500.00
Publishing	4,500.00
Miscellaneous	<u>4,500.00</u>
Total	\$44,500.00

Seconded by Rajpal.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Roberson absent.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Amy Carter, Junior Accountant, Treasurer's Office, provided a brief overview of the Treasurer's Report for FY 2020-2021, Month 7. The report consists of the Oakland County Art Institute Authority Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity as of June 30, 2021, the revenue and expenditures, non-expenditure payments, and the tax collection payments that have been received and paid to the DIA as of June 30, 2021.

Whittaker moved to receive and file the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Adler.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Roberson absent.

### **RESOLUTION OF LEVY AND COLLECTION OF MILLAGE**

Adler moved to adopt the resolution authorizing the levy and collection of the millage in December 2020 and to authorize the Chair to sign the required 2021 Tax Rate Request form.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Roberson absent.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Whittaker moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Rajpal.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Roberson absent.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

  
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Pamela L. Worthington, Committee Coordinator

  
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Gretchen Adler, Secretary

**NOTE:** The foregoing minutes are subject to Authority approval.