

**Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission Meeting
Wednesday, November 16, 2022
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. CST**

**History Nebraska
Dr Don R Gerlach Capitol View Room
1500 R St
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508**

Minutes

Call to Order

Ron Hull, Chairman of the Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission, called the meeting to order at 2:47 p.m. He referenced the legal notice required by state statute that was published in the Lincoln Journal Star newspaper on November 10, 2022 and that the meeting is in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Mr. Hull welcomed JoAnna LeFlore-Ejike, Executive Director of the Malcolm X Memorial Foundation, and Meagan Dion, Specialist of Public Art & Artist Programs with the Nebraska Arts Council.

Roll Call

Present: Sara Crook, Jill Dolberg, Tim Heller, Ron Hull, Aaron Wyatt

Not Present: Rod Bates, Jim McKee

Sculptor Selection Process

Meagan Dion provided the group a handout explaining the specific responsibilities of The Nebraska Arts Council and The Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission, and a projected timeline.

Selection of Malcolm X Bust Selection Committee

The Sculptor Selection Committee consists of 2 Commission members, a representative of the Nebraska Arts Council, and two members of the organization/family of inductee.

Chairman Ron Hull appointed Aaron Wyatt and Jill Dolberg from the Hall of Fame Commission to the Sculptor Selection Subcommittee. Jill Dolberg will serve as the chair of the subcommittee.

Meagan Dion, Public Art and Artist Programs Specialist will represent the Nebraska Arts Council.

Representing the inductee, Malcolm X, will be JoAnna LeFlore-Ejike, Executive Director of the Malcolm X Foundation and Ilyasah Shabazz, daughter of the late Malcolm X.

Motion to include previous Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission Members to sit in on the Sculptor Selection process but no voting privileges

Motion by: Sara Crook
Second by: Tim Heller

Yes: 5
No: 0
Motion adopted.

Motion to grant preference to Nebraska artists during the Sculptor Selection process

Motion by: Sara Crook
Second by: Jill Dolberg

Yes: 5
No: 0
Motion adopted.

Status of Appropriated Funds, Jill Dolberg

The current balance is \$26,638.25. We receive an additional \$10,000 per year from Nebraska general funds per statute enacted by the Nebraska Legislature.

Further Fundraising Strategies, Ron Hull

Because this is a state-owned piece of artwork, the commission agreed the state should pay for it. Using available funds without the need to fundraise is preferred, however, there has been an increase in the cost of materials over the past five years. Jill will report back with the total cost of the last Hall of Fame Statue and using that figure the group will approximate the cost of the Malcolm X bust.

Dedication Event Discussion

If the public wants to contribute, we can encourage that public contributions be used for the dedication event.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by: Sara Crook
Second by: Aaron Wyatt

Yes: 5
No: 0

ADJOURNED AT: 3:30 p.m.