



**CITY OF CORAL GABLES  
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, May 3, 2016 8:00 a.m.**

**Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Department  
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MEMBERS	J	J	A	S	O	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	APPOINTED BY:
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Claudio Pastor*					P	P	E	-	P	P	-	P	P	Mayor Jim Cason
Geannina A. Burgos*						P	P	-	E	P	-	P	P	Vice-Mayor Frank C. Quesada
Alfonso Perez*			P	-	P	P	P	-	P	P	-	P	P	Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick
Bruce B. Litwer	-	-	E	-	P	E	P	-	P	E	-	P	E	Commissioner Pat Keon
Dr. Fernando Alvarez-Perez*								-	P	E	-	P	P	Commissioner Vince Lago
Dr. Bernice Roth*			P	-	P	P	P	-	P	P	-	P	P	City Manager Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark
Dr. Rosa Maria Mayorga	-	-	P	-	P	P	P	-	P	P	-	P	P	Board Appointee

**LEGEND:** A = Absent; P = Present; E = Excused; \* = New Member; ^ = Resigned Member; - = No Meeting  
+ = Special Meeting

**STAFF:**

Dona Spain, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Director, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts  
Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts

**GUESTS:**

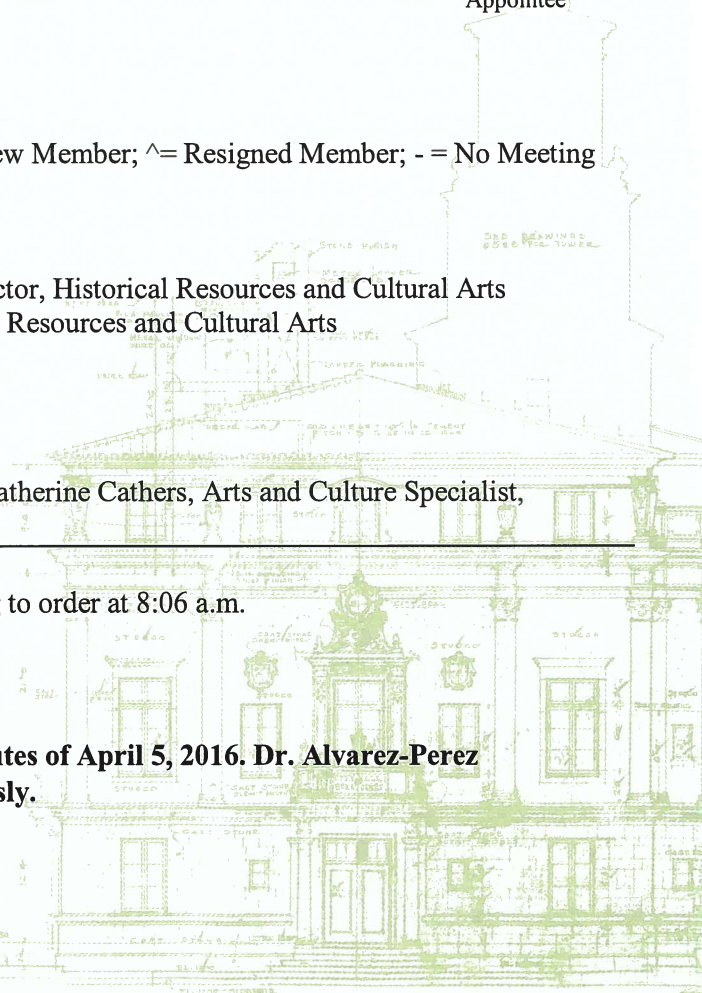
No guests attended

**RECORDING AND PREPARATION OF MINUTES:** Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist,  
Historical Resources and Cultural Arts

Dr. Roth called the Cultural Development Board meeting to order at 8:06 a.m.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM APRIL 5, 2016:**

**Mr. Perez made a motion to approve the minutes of April 5, 2016. Dr. Alvarez-Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**



The Board was advised that Mr. Litwer notified staff that he would be out of town for this meeting.

**Ms. Burgos made a motion to accept the absence of Mr. Litwer as excused. Dr. Alvarez-Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES, PROJECT UPDATES (DISCUSSION):

**Miracle Mile and Giralda Avenue Streetscape**

Ms. Cathers advised Board members of the Arts Advisory Panel meeting of April 22, reporting that the Panel did not feel Cao + Perrot's follow-up proposal met the intent of the project with the Panel recommending to proceed with a new list of artists to consider. The Board expressed their support of the Panel's process and decision. Staff has asked Panel members to forward artist recommendations and the Panel will meet again on June 30.

Ms. Cathers reported that the Giralda Avenue proposal discussed in the previous Board meeting is being recommended for approval, pending further review by staff.

**Alice Aycock**

Board members were given an update on the April 13 visit with Alice Aycock. Ms. Aycock was pleased with the progress of the work on-site and of the artwork's fabrication taking place in Fort Lauderdale. Ms. Cathers informed the Board that staff was able to observe the fabrication in process on April 19 and took photographs, which were shared with the Board. A new deadline for the sculpture's installation is set for mid-June.

The Board supported planning an artist talk and celebratory exhibition to coincide with Art Basel in December, 2016.

**Jean Ward Sculptures**

The Board was informed that the Jean Ward sculptures at the library and the one in Pittman Park have been removed for restoration.

**Vessel**

Ms. Cathers stated that the pouring of the base for the donated sculpture *Vessel* is scheduled for this week at Cartagena Plaza.

**Spinnaker**

The Board was advised of the completion of the *Spinnaker* installation and provided information for the dedication taking place on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at Red Road and Lugo Avenue.

CORAL GABLES CULTURAL GRANT (DISCUSSION & ACTION)

**Cultural Grantee Requests, Updates, & Reviews**

**1. Cuban Classical Ballet**

Ms. Cathers advised the Board that their recommendation for the Cuban Classical Ballet to return of FY2014-2015 cultural grant funds is being put on the agenda of the next City Commission meeting, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Burgos stated that she could be available to speak at the City Commission meeting on behalf of the Board.

**Mr. Perez made a motion that Ms. Burgos attend and speak on behalf of the Cultural Development Board regarding the Board's recommendation that the Cuban Classical Ballet return FY2014-2015 cultural grant funds in the amount of \$2,500. Dr. Alvarez-Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

## **2. Board Reports**

Board members reported on cultural programs they attended including GableStage, Miracle Theatre, and Florida Grand Opera.

### **FY 2016-17 Cultural Grant Updates**

#### **1. Grant management Software**

Ms. Cathers gave an update on the progress of procuring grant management software to implement for next year's grant cycle. She shared programs being considered, including: Foundant and PhilanTrack, and advised that the Board's review process and use is being greatly considered in the decision.

#### **2. FY2016-17 Cultural Grant funding**

Board Members reported on meetings with their appointing officials regarding future cultural grant funding. Discussion included how to address organizations that receive other City funds and supporting greater funding for Coral Gables based organizations. Ms. Spain reviewed the City budget process and schedule.

Dr. Roth led a discussion regarding the importance of funding programs that offer a high quality of culture rather than commercial content. Ms. Cathers responded that this can be emphasized in the workshop and through the grant review process.

#### **3. City Commission Meeting Representative**

The Board discussed selecting a Cultural Development Board member to speak on behalf of the Board at City Commission meetings when the Board has a recommending motion. The Board agreed that this can be done on a case-by-case basis.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Roth spoke with the Board about the City's Mobile App and the possibility of adding a cultural icon to access the cultural calendar and other cultural information of interest. Dr. Roth asked staff to pursue, which staff agreed to.

Ms. Cathers spoke with the Board about amendments being proposed to the City's Art in Public Places ordinance, guidelines, and zoning code. Board members were asked to review the existing ordinance and guidelines and provide comments to staff at the next Board meeting.

### DISCUSSION:

There were no discussion items.

### BOARD ITEMS / CITY COMMISSION UPDATE / CITY PROJECT UPDATE:

The Board unanimously agreed to move the start time of Board meetings from 8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

Dr. Roth asked for Board Member attendance guidelines to be presented at the next Board meeting.

The Board discussed summer meetings and unanimously agreed not to meet in the month of July.

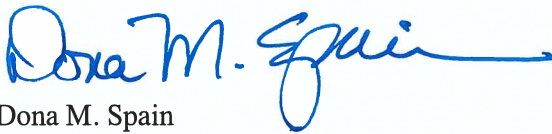
ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY:

There were no additional items.

**A motion was called by Dr. Alvarez-Perez to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. Perez. The motion was unanimously approved.**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dona M. Spain  
Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Director