



## ARTS COUNCIL MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2020 – SPECIAL MEETING

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### Call to Order

The special meeting was called to order by Chair Erin Vivion at 5:38 pm at Mercer Island Community & Event Center, 8236 SE 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Mercer Island, WA 98040.

### Attendance

- Members Present: Amy Barnes, Xixi Shakes, Suzanne Skone, Gaylene Vaden, and Erin Vivion
- Members Absent: Anumeha, Erik Gordon, Matt Lome, and Damian Schwiethale
- City Council: Deputy Mayor Salim
- Staff: Sarah Bluvas, Katie Herzog, and Diane Mortenson

### Appearances

*No appearances.*

### Minutes

It was moved by Skone; seconded by Barnes to:

**Approve the December 11, 2019, minutes as presented.**

Passed: 5-0

FOR: 5 (Barnes, Shakes, Skone, Vaden, Vivion)

AGAINST: 0

ABSENT: 4 (Anumeha, Gordon, Lome, Schwiethale)

### 2020 Budget Report – Sarah Bluvas

\$39,670 remains in the Arts Council's 2020 operational budget.

### Committee Appointments – Erin Vivion

Chair Vivion e-mailed individual members about committee chair appointments, and Bluvas distributed committee appointments. Vivion would like committees to move more in the direction of collaborative working groups, which the board can discuss more at the upcoming retreat.

### 2020 Meeting Calendar – Sarah Bluvas

Bluvas distributed the 2020 meeting calendar. The 2020 retreat will take place February 12, 5-9 pm.

### Artists on the Water Project Update – Erin Vivion and Staff

Vivion and staff reported project progress for the Artists on the Water event taking place on Friday, March 27, 2020. Board members requested the event name change to Art on the Water.

### Other Business – All

Deputy Mayor Nice asked the board to prepare a gift to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mercer Island's Sister City relationship with Thonon les Bains, France. Bluvas and Vivion will finalize needs in time to send with the delegation traveling to France in February.

### Adjournment

Chair Vivion adjourned the meeting at 6:29 pm.