

Sammamish Arts Commission
Minutes
January 18, 2006

Commission Members Present: Carole McCallum, Daphne Robinson, Joe McConnell, Kent Greene, Joanne Elliott.

Commissioners Absent: Erica Krikorian and Karen Mathews

1. Minutes for the November 16, 2005 meeting were approved with the addition of the dollar amounts in the Treasurers Report.
2. Barbara Jirsa, Director of External Affairs for the Bellevue Art Museum updated the Commission on the museum. She invited them to visit the museum which is now focusing on arts, crafts and design. She also encouraged members to recruit high school students to participate in the museum's Docent Program. The program is open to students in 9th through 12th grade.
3. Connie Walsworth – Project Concept Presentation: Her concept is to design a four-sided steel structure that would be placed in a garden area of the Sammamish Commons. Each side would be devoted to a season, with each season being represented by a Sammamish event that occurs during the season. An example of this would be the Nightmare at Beaver Lake would be represented on the fall panel. The bulk of the structure would be available for residents to design and apply a glass piece to the structure. The Commission was in agreement that the project sounded good. Daphne will co-ordinate with Connie to set up meetings with staff and Council to give a more detailed presentation of the idea.
4. Welcome to Sammamish Sign – Kent updated the commission on this project. He has been in contact with several professional sign companies and found that most of them would be able to take a concept and develop it into a mock up. There was general agreement that, although the entryway signs do not have to be identical, they should all carry out a common theme.
5. Review of Meeting with Ben Yazici, City Manager – Carole and Daphne meet with the City Manager and discussed the entry way signs and the signature sculpture piece for city hall. A very specific scope for this project will be designed and artists will be selected to participate, rather than putting out a general call for artists.
6. The Commission will sponsor a reception for area artists sometime in March. Daphne and Carole will co-ordinate this.
7. Coordinators were assigned for the following projects:
 - a. Photo Workshop (October/November): Joe and Joannie
 - b. Artist Studio Tour (May/June): Joe and Joannie
 - c. City of Sammamish Entry Sign (on-going): Kent
 - d. Sculpture for Commons (on-going): Carole and Daphne
 - e. Artists Reception (March): Carole and Daphne

