

# Art, Grounds and Aesthetic Committee Meeting

## Meeting Notes

November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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- **Roll Call:** Antoinette Curl, Corrin Le Vasseur, Ernest Haffner, Gavin Watts, James Meyer, Jesse Pisors, Joseph Pickering, Justin Korver, Gary Coulton, Kathy Funk-Baxter, Melissa Morales
- **Missing:** Karen Burgard, Sarah Castillo, Stephanie Black, , Eliaz McCullen, Michelle Janysek, Rebecca Viagran
- **Start: 2:00**

### Large bronze sculpture on campus (Jesse)

- Raise money to build and install a bronze sculpture of a jaguar. Athletics working with MarCom, honing the athletic look of the jaguar. All the bells and whistle would cost a couple hundred thousand dollars.
  - Corrin – athletics or just athletics?
    - Jesse- my idea is more for the entire campus.
  - Kathy – suggestions on location?
    - James – we have to think where the university is growing
    - Ernest – one area that immediately comes to mind, somewhere on the south quad. Another spot that might be possible, but haven't envisioned how that space will be, where the future student union.

### Update from Subcommittees

#### Grounds, Gardens and Outdoor Spaces Improvement Subcommittee (Ernest)

- As we expand, we are hoping to add more memorial benches added around gravel. City Arborist??? Will be visiting campus next week to give suggestions on how to best handle the trees. He connected Ernest with the city forester, Mike Holensky, asked him how many trees he could receive. Goal is to prioritize areas based on the number of trees, memorial garden is going to be top prioritize. Start a community initiative to have student's plant or adopt trees, reach out to student organizations.
  - Corrin – shouldn't we plant in the fall?
    - Ernest – March is probably the best time to plant trees.
- Gateway Project – waiting for meter to be installed
  - Justin – maybe be strategic of the challenges we faced with planting the trees. We can event tie it into the branding of the university. Local architect French and Michigan is knowledgeable of native seeds.
    - Ernest – am looking to stay local.

#### Student Volunteer Lead Opportunities Subcommittee (Joseph Pickering)

- Joe – student received over 100 signatures to have a painting of Oakley (Victim Assistance Dog)

- Corrin – any thoughts about adding Oakley to any murals?
- Joe – might separate out from future murals, just because of the subject matter.

#### Mural Artist Update – Justin

- Joe – David is open to having several community painting days, almost like a giant paint by numbers. We can potentially use 2D art studio, set up perfectly for painting.

#### BLH Mechanical Wall Mural FY 23 David

##### Projects in Progress:

##### New Library, College of Business Building – Corrin

- Corrin – moving library a few days before Christmas break, fire Marshall and other punch list items being taken care of. December 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at 3-4 PM and 4-5PM will host tours for campus community.
  - Joe – will there be an opportunity for the ambassadors to get with building experts to get deeper knowledge of building?
    - Corrin – how many people?
      - Joe – 4 students

##### Leadership Wall/Staff Awards/Faculty Awards (STEM) – Ernest

- Ernest – we made a few changes to the initial project, the faculty and the staff award section will be on both sides of the leadership wall (8 feet wide wall). Cold Fire is the vendor helping with this project. By the beginning of next year, we should have the wall complete.

##### STEM building to host all loaned artwork – Corrin

- Corrin - Can we move the Art of Four art pieces to the East Hallway?
  - Joe – Dean Feakes has made the comment that the other floors of Sci Tech are desolate and the walls look empty.
  - Corrin – I will call art gallery tomorrow to let them know.

##### Other Topics

- Corrin – can we make the south (?) wall in the café the student leadership wall? To the left of that wall, maybe have a giant jaguar on that wall.
  - Joe – they were hoping to get a shared governance model similar to university leadership wall
- Joe – committees blessing to host Holocaust memorial exhibit for the month of April, no cost to university. Are versatile to be hung.

##### Cafeteria Art – Do we Update? Vote?

- **Adjourn: 3:10 PM**