GUAM COUNCIL ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES AGENCY

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

3:00 p.m. Tuesday December 15, 2020
Via Zoom

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. WELCOME

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES - for October 27, 2020

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

IX. NEXT MEETING

X. ADJOURNMENT
1. CALL TO ORDER

The Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency’s regular board meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. via Zoom by Chairman of the Board, Francis Guerrero. Board members present included Vice-Chair, Joseph Certeza, Secretary, Patricia Krise, and members: Dr. Judy Flores, Mayor Jessy Gogue, Donna Kloppenburg, Frank Rabon, Vince Reyes, Max Ronquillo and Rolando Zepeda. Also, present was Executive Director, Jillette Leon Guerrero and CAHA staff: Jackie Balbas, Angie Taitague, Mark Duenas, and Genevey Kloulubak. Lastly, Guests present: Frank Candaso and Kevin Delgado.

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of CAHA Board of Directors meeting dated 8 September 2020 were reviewed by the members, Dr. Judy Flores motioned for approval.

On the motion:

“to approve the motion of the September 8, 2020 meeting of the CAHA Board of Executive Directors” moved by Dr. Judy Flores and seconded by Donna Kloppenburg. Motion carried unanimously.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The Executive Director delivered her monthly report updating the board members on the following items:

ORGANIZATION

Telecommunication Voting Resolution - The Executive Director confirmed that telecommunication regulations have already been established to allow virtual voting using telecommunication devices or similar communication equipment (Resolution # 2013-001 signed 4 December 2013).

The Executive Director requested that the CARES ACT EMERGENCY RELIEF GRANT PROGRAM will be discussed later. She updated the status of the Cares Act by informing the board that the total applications received in dollar amount is $152,999.00 and $30,000.00 of this amount were either declined or withdrawn, $122,999.00 of the amount are applications that are still under various stages of review. Total amount granted is $114,600.00 and $45,000.00 of the amount are applications that have passed the final review, however, not all Board members have voted, but the majority has approved the $45,000.00 worth.
4. PROGRAMMING

Arts Across America

Executive Director Leon Guerrero informed the board that yesterday morning she was on a radio show with Patty Arroyo. She and Program Coordinator IV Jackie Balbas also appeared on the afternoon radio show with Tony Lamorena. During the radio show, Executive Director Leon Guerrero mentioned that CAHA was looking for artists for the second presentation of Guam which will be held on December 8, 2020 [December 9th Guam Time]. The deadline for artists to turn in their biography and an audition tape is November 3, 2020.

She continued that Mirco Child and Vince Reyes dancers will appear on November 12, 2020.

Arts in Public Places

Executive Director advised that she is working with AG’s Office and waiting for their opinions on Federal funding as to Arts in public buildings and issues between the Military Build-Up Office and Cultural Depository at UOG.

Chairman instructed the Executive Director that due to time constraint; we need to move to things that need the Board of Directors votes or approval first.

5. OLD BUSINESS

SIGNING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION

Executive Director stated that the previous resolution was revised to include the members of Executive Committee; Chairman, Francis Guerrero, Vice-Chairman, Joey Certeza, and Secretary, Patricia Krise. Also, CAHA Staff: Executive Director, Jillette Leon Guerrero, Administrative Officer, Genevey Kloulubak, and Program Coordinator, Jacqueline Balbas are the authorized signatories and any excess over $1,500.00 will require a signatory approval from one of the executive members of the Board.

The revised Resolution 2020-001, Chairman motioned for approval.

On the motion:

“To approve Resolution 2020-001” moved by Donna Kloppenburg and seconded by Mayor Jessy Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Executive Director mentioned that strategic plan was previously sent to all Executive Board members by email for their review. She reminded the board that it is a living document and subject to change if needed.

On the motion:

“To approve the CAHA Strategic Plan 2021-2026,” moved by Secretary, Patty Krise and seconded by Vice-Chairman, Joey Certeza. Motion carried unanimously.
VIRTUAL VOTING

Executive Director is requesting the Board of Directors to approve virtual voting for the CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant Program.

On the motion:

“To approve virtual voting for the CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant Program,” moved by Dr. Judy Flores and seconded by Vice-Chairman, Joey Certeza. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGETARY PLAN FOR CARES ACT EMERGENCY RELIEF GRANT PROGRAM CATEGORIES: NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS.

Executive Director suggested a budgetary plan for Non-Profit Organization ($80,000.00) and Individual ($34,600.00).

On the motion:

“To approve a ceiling of $80,000.00 for non-profit organizations and $34,600 for individuals for the CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant Program.” moved by Mayor Gogue and seconded by Donna Kloppenburg. Motion carried unanimously.

APPLICANTS-REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

Grant number: 2020-021 Mr. Kent Velsrubio [Fellowship: Guam Days]

Applicant is requesting extension from September to December due to PCOR-1, he cannot go out to do his video shooting.

On the motion:

“To approve Kent Velsrubio’s request to extend grant application #2020-021 Fellowship: Guam Days to 31 December 2020,” moved by Max Ronquillo and seconded by Rolly Zepeda. Motion carried unanimously.

Applicant No. 2020-013- Dawn Reyes, Fellowship: Textures of Guam–Applicant is requesting a revision based on the scope of work under fellowship. Applicant completed 16 abstract work instead of 8 and is requesting to eliminate the exhibition under the scope of work. Majority of the members disagree because CAHA should benefit from output and the community and virtual exhibition is highly recommended. Also, Executive Director Leon Guerrero informed that on mid-November, GCAHA website will be upgraded and maybe, Ms. Reyes can display her work via CAHA’s website. Chairman supported this idea and recommended that instead of displayed 18 abstract work, she can display 8 based on the scope of the work via CAHA’s website and media announcement may be necessary.
It was concluded that Ms. Reyes could do a video using a telephone to eliminate cost. CAHA Staff, Angie Taitague will inquire and advise. No action taken.

FOLK ARTS

2020-015  Frank Matanane  [Fellowship: Kiko’s Crafts]

Frank Matanane (Applicant) received $500.00 for FY-2020 under fellowship grant and is requesting an extension until September 30, 2021 due to the pandemic and is required to do a community presentation to explain how he derived for each piece of artwork, the origin of the materials that he chooses. This is the last part of his scope of work. He assures the board that he will display or showcase his work when we are in PCOR4 status. Applicant does not want to cut himself short and that is why he requests an extension until September 2021 due to the uncertainty of the COVID 19 pandemic.

Vice-Chairman, Joey Certeza asked if CAHA has the capacity to do a program which invites BOD and the community to listen to the artisans’ discussions about the creative process. The Chairman commented that this is something we should be doing now and that a virtual gallery should be instigated too. Executive Director Leon Guerrero responded that she has a plan to have this created via CAHA’s website. The Board suggested that the applicant have a presentation on Facebook. No action taken.

FY2021 GRANT APPLICATIONS

UNDERSERVED BUDGET ($51,800.00)-Panel members: Donna Kloppenburg and Major Gogue

Applicant #2021-014- Kristen Rosario, [Underserved: ASL Interpreting Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing]

Panel members recommended that she gets the full awarded requested of $10,000.00. Member Kloppenburg informed that the Applicant scope of work is to provide interpret services for the Deaf and hard of hearing during this Covid 19 awareness to the community via virtual. Also, a prior recipient with a lot of positive letters.

Applicant #2021-022-Shannon San Nicolas, [Underserved: Personality Matrix]

Panel members recommended that she get the full awarded requested of $10,000.00. Applicant is to create virtual video about mental health awareness during this Covid 19 crisis with a focus on himself. Also, written songs and a member of a dance group called “Break and Wave” and received a lot of positive support letters.

Applicant #2021-012-Elizabeth Abuan, [Underserved: Treasure Chest]

Panel members recommended that she get the full awarded requested of $10,000.00. Applicant plans to create treasure chest and train women and children that are staying in Guma San Jose-Catholic Social Service or like a workshop. Also, a prior grant recipient.
Panel members are recommending $30,000.00 be approved for these three applicants at $10,000.00 each.

On the Motion:

“To approve grant applicants # 2021-014, 2021-022 and 2021-012,” by Dr. Judy Flores and seconded by Vice-Chair, Joey Certerza. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman requested clarification of the budget regarding the Poetry Out Loud, Executive Director Leon Guerrero and CAHA Staff, Jackie Balbas confirmed that $10,000.00 has been approved by NEA for Poetry-Out-Loud and is included in the $130,000.00 programming budget. Therefore, the funds available for community grants is $120,000.00.

VISUAL ART - Panel members: Rolando Zepeda, Jeff Skavil, and Mar-Vic Caguragan

2021-024 Maria-Lozalyn Romelo, [Visual Arts-Pacific Masks]
Panel members disapproved the $3,000 she requested and felt her plan is weak and too common.

2021-003 Yeon Sook Park, [Visual Arts: Creating Arts Strengthens Communications]
Panel members approved $5,000.00 instead of the $10,000.00 that she requested due to the same art concept as previous projects.

2021-013 Farmer’s Cooperative Association of Guam, [Visual Arts: I Metkao]
Panel members approved $5,000.00 instead of the $10,000.00. Members felt $10,000.00 was too much for the art work project at Farmer’s Coup in Dededo.

FOLK ART – Panel members: Dr. Judy Flores, Dr. Lawrence Cunningham, and Maria Leah Barcinas

Member, Dr. Judy Flores informed that there were three applicants, but two were declined at the preliminary review level as being ineligible.

2021-020 Sandra Okada/TASA “Restoring our Saina”
Panel members were impressed by the scope of work and initially approved the full amount of $10,000.00 requested by the Applicant to repair and restore the Saina.

MEDIA ART– Panel members: Max Ronquillo, Gary Gargishawn, and Illa Clarte

2021-015 Ruzelle Judicpa “Good”
Panel members recommended the full funding of $2,000.00 to produce a film based on the complexity of depression, which may be used by other organization and for future use.

2021-007 University of Guam Press, [Media Arts: Nihi Ta Fanekungok Taiguini (audio) Books]
Panel members recommended the full funding of $9,879.00 requested by the Applicant to feature three (3) books into audio books in Chamorro language that will be used for the future generation.

2021-004 Geraldine Unpingco “Yengyong, Yengyong Munga Mamahlo”
Panel members recommended the full funding of $2,785.00 requested by the Applicant to record all the familiar children songs to be shared or available for her child day care and island at large and will be recorded in Chamorro language too.

2021-018 Santa Teresita Church, [Media Arts: Pastor]

Panel members recommended that the full funding of $8,500.00 by the Applicant. Mr. Kevin Delgado (Guest) reiterated that the purpose of the fund is to finance the Catholic Youth Choir to record (8) Chamorro songs with a contemporary twist. Also, their plan of drive-in concert around Christmas time on the church grounds which will be available via social media or YouTube for the future generations and assured that CDC guidelines will be implemented and the copy right is authorized.

member, Max Ronquillo stated these are in order by funding priorities.

SPECIAL PROJECTS– Panel members: Vice-Chairman, Joey Certeza, Juanita Blas, and Marigold Macgoll

2021-010 Frank Candaso, Jr., [Special Project: Resources for Advocating Reading (READ)]

Mr. Frank Candaso, Jr. (Guest) informed that the purpose of the funding is to cover expenses through alternative publishing (Joy Consulting) for the story, master copy and editing of the children story book in Chamorro, Chuukese, and Tagalog or Filipino Language.

Applicant request of $3,000.00 is denied due to the fact that CAHA grants does not validate master copy expenses per Vice-Chairman, Joey Certeza.

2021-016 Michael Bevacqua, [Media Art: “Good”]

Applicant is requesting $8,000.00 to produce another book, titled An Taya Elekrisida with emphasis on his daughter’s hardship during the Covid 19 crisis. Panel members approved with stipulation that Mr. Bevacqua produces a sustainability plan since this is his third grant for a book.

2021-017 GDOE Chamoru Studies, [Special Projects: Estorian Hinenggen Chamoru Siha]

Applicant is requesting $10,000.00 to produce three books focusing on Chamorro values and will do an open call on authors and illustrators and community effort. Also, will cover editing and translation expenses with an emphasis on producing a curriculum at a grade level and they are confident that it can be done. Panel members approved the full funding of $10,000.00.

2021-023 Johanna Salinas, [Special Projects: “My New Normal’”]

Applicant is requesting $400.00 for her poetry book that she has written since Covid 19 crisis and will cover the copier expenses. Panel members approved the full funding of $400.00.

2021-02 Guam Aces Inc., [Special Projects, 5th Guam International Dragonboat Festival]

Applicant is requesting $10,000.00 to cover next year’s Dragon Festival. Panel members agreed to fund $5,100.00 for the art aspect only. Chairman addressed his concern that CAHA grants are not to support festivals but for arts and does not feel that the project is fundable. Mayor Gogue agreed with Chairman and expressed his concern that prerequisite screening from the staff should have already disqualified this applicant.
ARTS-IN-EDUCATION—Panel members: Vince Reyes, Sandy Flores, and Lola Leon Guerrero

2021-08 John Siguenza, [Arts-in-Education: Chamorro Artifact Museum Curator Sagan Kuturan]

Applicant is requesting $9,375.00 for his salary for providing workshop and field trips. This is the only grant under Arts-In-Education category. Member, Vince Reyes recommended that Applicant should apply for the Cares Act instead, since it is only to cover his salary and the Chairman concurs. Executive Director Leon Guerrero confirmed that Mr. Siguenza applied for the Cares Act, therefore, member, Vince Reyes denied Grant #2021-08.

RECESS TAKEN AT 4:46 PM (10 MINS.)--Secretary, Patty Krise is dismissed.

MEETING RECONVENES 4:56 P.M.

2021-11 Monica Guzman, [Special Projects: Engaging Community- A Survey of Inalahan Historic District]

Applicant is requesting an amount of $10,000.00 for a strategic plan for Historic Inalahan. Member, Donna Krise and Major Gogue agrees that the Preservation Trust is the best choice for them to seek funding from. Also, other concerns were that this is not arts related and there is no deliverable.

2021-19 Inadahan I Lina’la Kotturan Chamoru, [Special Projects: Is Our Culture Really Important? No More Talk...Action is Required]

Applicant is requesting $10,000 for strategic plan for a community of artisans. Also, not art related and no deliverable. Member, Donna Kloppenburg suggested that we move forward.

2021-21 Humanities Guahan, [Special Projects: Kumeukuentos Series: Pacific Islanders in Conversation on Identify and Social Justice]

Applicant is requesting $10,000 to hire two facilitators to come to Guam hold a conference to teach on facilitation skills for three days. Panel members agreed that this is not art related.

2021-25 Deborah Ellen, [Special Project: No title]

Applicant is requesting $10,000 for a new charter school and funds are for their personal marketing. Therefore, panel members denied the applicant.

PERFORMING ARTS—Panel members: BOD member-Frank Rabon, Eileen Meno, and Zina Ruiz

2021-001 Margarita Dancel, [Peforming Arts: Moana Jr. – Performing Arts During Covid 19]

Applicant (prior applicant) is requesting $10,000 for Moana Jr. Production and hoping to have it on June 26 and 27, 2021, audition will be held via zoom. Also, singing and dancing will be taught via zoom until two or three weeks before the event when they will have a group rehearsal and ensure the safety guidelines or social distancing is implemented. Applicant wants to have this production held at Ypao Beach or the Paseo outdoor stadium (Drive-In). Funds will be used for venue rental, stage construction, and light and sound and has identified three staffers.
2021-006 Mervin Tamayo, [Performing Arts: Miss Saigon Musical Project Grant]

Applicant is requesting $10,000 to produce Miss Saigon Musical with a total cost of $82,700.00. He proposed to do virtual submission and audition via zoom, and stage production is scheduled for September 04, 2021 at UOG Fieldhouse. Funds will be used for the licenses, musical theater, sound and light engineer, professional artist, set construction, customs manufacturing, and travel expenses. CAHA staff, Jacqueline Balbas stated that travel expenses are not allowable. Member, Frank Rabon, recommended $7,000. Chairman stated that possible request of extension by the applicant due to the uncertainty of the Covid 19.

DECISIONS BY MEMBERS

On the motion:

“To decline Yeon Sook Park's grant application #2021-003, [Visual Arts: Creating Arts Strengthens Communications] moved by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza and seconded by Rolando Zepeda. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Certeza recommended that the performing arts applicants should apply next year due to the uncertainty of the Covid 19 and to avoid possible defaults - Chairman agreed.

Chairman summarized the Applicants award under review as follows:

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Chairman announced a recess to continue on Friday, October 30, 2020 at 3:00 pm. via Zoom.

On the Motion:

“To recess this meeting until Friday 30 October,” by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza and seconded by Dr. Judy Flores. Motion carried unanimously. (7:22 p.m.)

Reconvened meeting at 3:06 p.m., Friday, October 30, 2020 via Zoom.

The Chairman reconvened the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency’s regular board meeting at 3:06 p.m. 30 October 2020 via Zoom. Board members present included Vice-Chair, Joseph Certeza, Secretary, Patricia Krise, and members: Dr. Judy Flores, Mayor Jessy Gogue, Donna Kloppenburg, Frank Rabon, Max Ronquillo and Rolando Zepeda. Also, present was Executive Director, Jillette Leon Guerrero and CAHA Staff: Jackie Balbas, Genevey Kloulubak and Joey Manibusan.
Board members Mayor Gogue and Frank Rabon recommended that CAHA staff provide written guidelines which should be provided to the applicants and all Board of members, listing what are allowable and unallowable costs. Chairman commented that this should have been covered during the orientation process for every grant cycle, CAHA staff, Jackie confirmed that a word presentation was done, Executive Director Leon Guerrero informed these guidelines are already posted in CAHA’s website and there is a plan in place for the improvement of the grant process. Chairman confirmed that a second grant cycle is possible for this fiscal year if we can’t award all these monies now.

Executive Director Leon Guerrero announced that she just sent the guidelines via WhatsApp to all members.

Chairman Guerrero recessed the meeting until next week Thursday (November 5, 2020) at 3:00 p.m. The board will regroup and CAHA Staff will provide the additional information for review to all board members prior to the meeting.

Mtg Recessed @ 4:36 p.m.

Meeting reconvened 3:06 p.m. Thursday, November 5, 2020

The Chairman reconvened the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency’s regular board meeting at 3:06 p.m. 5 November 2020 via Zoom. Board members present included Chairman, Francis Guerrero; Vice Chairman, Joseph Certeza; Secretary, Patricia Krise, and members: Dr. Judy Flores, Mayor Jessy Gogue, Donna Kloppenburg, Frank Rabon, and Max Ronquillo. Also, present was Executive Director, Jillette Leon Guerrero and CAHA Staff: Genevey Kloulubak, Joey Manibusan and Mark Duenas.

PERFORMING ARTS

2021-001 Margareta Dancel, [Performing Arts: Moana Jr.: Performing Arts During Covid 19] and 2021-006 Mervin Tamayo, [Performing Arts: Miss Saigon Musical Project Grant]

Based on the previous meeting, some of the Board members felt that these two applicant’s requests were not feasible due to Covid 19 lockdown at this time.

On the Motion:

“Motion to decline both 2021-001, [Performing Arts: Moana Jr. – Performing Arts During Covid 19] and 2021-006, [Performing Arts: Miss Saigon Musical Project Grant]” by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza and seconded by Secretary, Patty Krise. Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

2021-002 American Aces Incorporated, [Special Projects: 5th Guam International Dragonboat Festival]

Based on the previous meeting, members felt that there was no artistic outcome and that the application was looking for support for a sporting festival.
On the Motion:

“Motion to decline grant application 2021-002, [Special Projects: 5th Guam International Dragonboat Festival] by member Max Ronquillo and seconded by Dr. Judy Flores. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-010 Frank Candaso, Jr., [Special Projects: Resources for Advocating Reading]

Members were questioning the cash-match, Chairman instructed that panel members needs to verify and then we can revisit.

On the Motion:

“To table grant application 2021-010, [Special Projects: Resources for Advocating Reading (READ)] by member Max Ronquillo and seconded by Mayor Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-011 Monica Guzman, [Special Projects: Engaging Community – A Survey of Inalahan Historic District]

Members agreed that Applicant’s proposal does not benefit the artist at this time and can be covered by another grant.

On the Motion:

“To decline grant application 2021-011, [Special Projects: Engaging Community – A Survey of Inalahan Historic District] by Dr. Judy Flores and seconded by Mayor Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-016 Michael Bevacqua [Special Projects: An Taya Elektrisidat]

On the Motion:

“To approve grant application 2021-016, [Special Projects: An Taya Elektrisidat]” by Dr. Judy Flores and seconded by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-017 GDOE and 2021-007 UOG Press, [Special Projects: Estorian Hinenggen Chamoru Siha]

Members agreed that applicants will each be funded at $5100.00. If Applicant #2021-017 (GDOE) [Special Projects: Estorian Hinenggen Chamoru Siha] cannot meet the cash-match of $1,020.00 than the board can increase Applicant #2021-007 (UOG Guam Press), [Media Arts: Nihi Ta Fanekungok Taiguini] to $9,879.00.

On the Motion:

“To approve 2021-017, [Special Projects: Estorian Hinenggen Chamoru Siha] and 2021-007, [Media Arts, Nihi Ta Fanekungok Taiguini] at $5,100.00 each with the condition that if Applicant #2021-017 does not meet the cash match, members will revisit and award the full $9,879.00 to
Applicant #2021-007,” by member, Max Ronquillo and seconded by Mayor Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-011 Monica Guzman, [Special Projects: Engaging Community- A Survey of Inalahan Historic District]

Dr. Judy Flores reiterated that due to a conflict of interest with grant application #2021-011, she recuses herself from the prior motion. Chairman recommended that we call for another motion.

On the Motion:

“To decline grant application #2021-011, [Special Projects: Engaging Community – A Survey of Inalahan Historic District] by Mayor Gogue, seconded by Secretary Patty Krise. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-019 Inadahan I Lina’la Koturan Chamoru, [Special Projects: Inadahan I lina’la Kotturan Chamoru -Is Our Culture Really Important? No More Talk...Action is Required]

Executive Director Leon Guerrero informed the board that applicant has $1,000 cash-match which is below the 20% required. Members agreed that half can be approved which is $5,000 because the applicant has not met the 20% of the $10,000.00 requested.

On the Motion:

“To approve $5,000 to Special Projects: Inadahan I Lina’la Koturan Chamoru, grant application #2021-019, [Is Our Culture Really Important? No More Talk...Action is Required] by member, Max Ronquillo and seconded by Mayor Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-021 Humanities Guahan, [Special Projects: Kumeukuentos Series: Pacific Islanders in Conversation on Identify and Social Justice]

Members denied the applicant on the basis that CAHA’s funding cannot be used for travel expenses and pe diem of the facilitators that are coming from Oregon State, USA.

On the Motion:

“To deny Humanities Guahan’s grant application #2021-021, Special Projects: Kumeukuentos Series: Pacific Islanders in Conversation on Identify and Social Justice] by member, Max Ronquillo and seconded by Mayor Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-023 Johanna Salinas, [Special Projects: “My New Normal” A Work of Poems]

Members agreed to support Johanna Salinas at $1,000. Grant has exceeded the cash match with $200.00 per Executive Director Leon Guerrero.

On the Motion:
“To approve $1000.00 to Johanna Salinas, applicant #2021-023, [Special Projects: “My New Normal” A Work of Poems] by member Max Ronquillo and seconded by Dr. Judy Flores. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-025 Deborah Ellen, [Special Project: No Title]

Based on the application submitted the applicant did not meet CAHA’s funding priorities.

On the Motion:

“To decline Deborah Ellen, applicant # 2021-025, [Special Projects: No title] by member, Max Ronquillo and seconded by Donna Kloppenburg Motion carried unanimously.

VISUAL ARTS

2021-003 Yeon Sook, [Visual Arts: Creating Art Strengthens Communications]

Members declined the application on the bases that she has been displaying the same type of artwork for the past several years with no changes.

On the Motion:

“To decline the application of Yeon Sook, applicant #2021-003, [Visual Arts: Creating Art Strengthens Communications] by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza and seconded by Secretary, Patty Krise. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-013 Farmer’s Cooperative Association of Guam, [Visual Arts: I Metkao]

Applicant approved at $5,000 as recommended by panel members.

On the Motion:

“To approve the application of Farmer’s Cooperative Association of Guam, applicant #2021-013, [Visual Arts: I Metkao] by Dr. Judy Flores and seconded by Donna Kloppenburg. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-024 Maria-Lozalyn Romelo [Visual Arts: Pacific Masks]

Applicant’s application was rejected by panel members. At this time, Staff, Mark Duenas is not sure why. No Action Taken.
MEDIA ARTS

2021-004 Geraldine Unpingco, [Media Arts: Yengyong, Yengyong Munga Mamhlao]

Applicant met CAHA’s funding requirements, therefore, members agreed to fund at the requested amount of $2,785.

On the Motion:
“To approve $2,785.00 for Geraldine Unpingco’s grant application #2021-004, Media Arts: Yengyong, Yengyong Munga Mamhlao by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza seconded by Donna Kloppenburg. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-015 Ruzelle Judicpa, [Media Arts: Good]

Members approved $3,000 with the stipulation a GBHWP (Guam Behavioral Health) consultation is required.

On the Motion:
“To approve $3,000.00 for Ruzelle Judicpa’s grant application #2021-015 [Media Arts: Good] by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza seconded by Mayor Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-018 Santa Teresita Church, [Media Arts: Pastor]

Executive Director Leon Guerrero informed that with consultation from NEA funding source, CAHA cannot award any funds to include the CARES Act to the applicant due to the pending bankruptcy with the Church.[Email attached]

On the Motion:
“To decline Santa Teresita Church’s grant application, [Media Arts: Pastor] #2021-018,” by member, Max Ronquillo seconded by Mayor Dr. Judy Flores Motion carried unanimously.

2021-005 Philip Sablan, [Folk Arts: No Title]

Staff, Angie Taitague, informed that applicant was declined because of ineligibility at the initial reviews level.

2021-020 Sandra Okada, [Folk Arts: Restoring Saina]

Applicant met the CAHA’s funding requirements. Members agreed to award the full amount requested of $10,000.

On the Motion:
“To approve Sandra Okada’s grant applicant #2021-020 [Folk Arts: Restoring Saina] by member Max Ronquillo seconded by member, Donna Kloppenburg. Motion carried unanimously.
REVISIT (AMENDMENT)

2021-013 Farmer’s Cooperative Association of Guam, [Visual Arts: I Metkao]

The Chairman called for an amendment to the prior motion to approve $5000.00 for the Farmer’s Cooperative Association of Guam. Because of the availability of funds, applicant was approved for $10,000 as recommended by Board members.

On the Motion:

“To amend the previous motion to approve the grant application #2021-013 from the Farmer’s Cooperative Association of Guam [Visual Arts: I Metkao] from $5000.00 to a funding level of $10,000.00,” by member Max Ronquillo and seconded by Dr. Judy Flores. Motion carried unanimously.

UNDERSERVED

2021-012 Elizabeth Abuan, [Underserved: Treasure Chest]

Members approved full funding of $10,000 due to positive letters of recommendation and the application meeting all of CAHA’s funding requirements.

On the Motion:

“To approve Elizabeth Abuan’s applicant #2021-012 [Underserved: Treasure Chest] at the funding level of $10,000,” by member, Dr. Judy Flores seconded by Voce-Chair, Joey Certeza. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-014 Kristen Rosario, [Underserved: ASL Interpreting Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing]

Members approved full funding of $10,000 due to the fact that applicant met all of CAHA’s funding requirements.

On the Motion:

“To approve Kristen Rosario’s grant application #2021-014 [Underserved: ASL Interpreting Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing] at the funding level of $10,000.00,” by member, Max Ronquillo seconded by Voce-Chair, Joey Certeza. Motion carried unanimously.

2021-022 Shannon San Nicolas, [Underserved: Personality Matrix]

Members approved the funding of $10,000 on the basis that applicant met all of CAHA’s funding requirements.

On the Motion:
“To approve Shannon San Nicolas’s grant application #2021-022 [Underserved: Personality Matrix] at the $10,000 funding level by Vice-Chair, Joey Certeza, seconded by Dr. Judy Flores. Motion carried unanimously.

REVISIT (AMENDMENT)

2021-010 Frank Candaso, Jr., [Special Project: Resources for Advocating Reading (READ)]

Members approved to fund the full amount of $3,000 on the basis that applicant met all of CAHA’s funding requirements.

On the Motion:

“To approve Frank Candaso, Jr.’s grant applicant #2021-010 [Special Projects: Resources for Advocating Reading (READ)] at the $3,000 funding level,” by Dr. Judy Flores, seconded by Mayor Gogue. Motion carried unanimously.

PERFORMING ARTS (AMENDMENT)

Board member Frank Rabon requested that the Performing Arts grant applicants [2021-001 Margarita Dancel, [Performing Arts: Moana Jr. – Performing Arts during Covid 19] and 2021-006 Mervin Tamayo, [Performing Arts: Miss Saigon Musical Project Grant] be given the opportunity to address the Board’s concerns about social distancing. He felt that they were not given the same opportunity as the other grant applicants. He requested that he be given until Friday of the following week to obtain additional information about how the applicants would address the board’s concerns.

On the Motion:

“To give Board member and Performing arts panel chairman, Frank Rabon until Friday of next week an opportunity to reach out to the two performing arts applicants to request them to revise their application, and to delay the second call-out for grant applications for the remaining funds, to give them an opportunity to address the issue of COVID 19 (social distancing) in their performance and rehearsals,” by Major Gogue and second by Donna Kloppenburg. Motion carried unanimously.

6. OTHER DISCUSSIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Next meeting will be December 15, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom.
7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Major Gogue and second by Donna Kloppenburg. Motion carried unanimously.

adjourned at 5:22 P.M.

MINUTES CERTIFIED AND ATTESTED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT BY:

_____________________________________  Date: ____________________________
Patricia Krise
Secretary, CAHA Board of Executive Director

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

_____________________________________  Date: ____________________________
Genevey Kloulubak
Administrative Officer